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Economic Risks to Italy Spread With Its Scandal Paralysis Grips Amato Survives Once Buoyant Vote After His Bringto Sector Throat to Quit Private Sector Threat to Quit

By Roger Cohen

New York Times Service ROME - For decades, Italy functioned with a split personality. An overstalled and grossly inefficient state was offset by a dynamic and inventive private sector led by the likes of Fiat and Olivetti. While the former piled up debts and banded out patronage, the latter carved out an international reputation and kept the economy more or less buoyant.

It was not an ideal system. The mail mislaid, the useless factories built, the time lost and the money wasted by the state cost the country dear. But the system limped along, sustained hy

Now, however, the bribery and corruption scandal enveloping the nation has struck both the public and private sectors, undermining both and casting the country's economic future into doubt.

"We're undergoing a French Revolution without the bloodshed," said Alberto Albertini, a leading Milan broker. "An entire system is being dismantied, and the people who have led both our politics and economy are being questioned. The danger at this point is that the country will become paralyzed."

Already, as the "mani pulite" ("clean hands") affair has escalated in recent months with the arrest of prominent executives in the public and private sectors, considerable swathes of the conomy have slowed to a virtual standstill, conomists say.

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ALL STORY Worst hit has been the construction sector because of its heavy dependence on public contracts and the revelation that these contracts almost always involved kickbacks paid to officials who channeled the money to political parties. Nobody, at this point, is prepared to put his name to new contracts.

"The building of roads, bridges, power sta-tions and indeed all public works has come to a standstill," said Giacomo Vaciago, a senior economic adviser to Prime Minister Giuliano Amato, "The signing of tenders for public works is frozen, and this is a serious problem." Since September, the lira has fallen about 46 percent against the dollar, battered by many factors, not least the deep uncertainty over who will run Italy, and under what system, in the months to come. Talk has become widespreadol a "Di Pietro recession" — a reference to Antonio Di Pietro, the Milan imagistratic lead-ing investigations into the spreading scandal Aware of the danger of economic and politicel paralysis, Mr. Amato, a Socialist; tried last week to contain the scandal by reducing pun-

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By William Drozdiak

Washington Past Service ROME -- Prime Minister Giuliano Amato, accused of trying to whitewash the country's higgest postwar corruption scandal, won a confidence vote in Parliament on Wednesday after threatening to leave office and force early elections.

With radical groups such as the separatist Northern League poised to exploit public dis-gust with the scandal known as "Tangentopoli" ("Kickback City"), Mr. Amato appeared before the Senate and insisted on a show of support from the four parties in his coalition. If not, he said, he would let them confront angry voters.

old Socialist leader declared. He said he would happily withdraw from politics "in a day, a month or even longer" and left his fate in the hands of Parliament. In the end, the Senate defeated all motions to bring him down and endorsed his program by 143 votes to 99, with one abstention

Mr. Amate played on the fears of the major parties about going to the polls before a nation-al referendum is held next month to change the country's discredited voting system. He shout-ed down becklers in the Senate who cried "resign, resign" by accusing them of "destructive blindness."

In the current climate of populist rage, opin-ion polls show that the traditional ruling par-ties, the Socialists and Christian Democrats, would be thrashed if a vote were held now. The biggest winner, according to polls, would be the Northern League, which wants to hreak up Italy into three self-governing zones so the wealthy north can stop subsidizing the Maliaplagued south.

The scene in the Senate on Wednesday scarcely seemed likely to revive public confi-dence in the country's political class. Guards intervened to stave off a fistlight between rival politicians, while a Northern League represen-tative showered the floor with bogus 10,000-lira bills in a gesture to underscore how Parliament had been tainted by the money game.

Mr. Amato's fragile four-party coalition had appeared on the brink of collapse Tuesday after appeared on the brink of could be indexed and the second s doling out public works contracts to enterprises

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"I am not a man for all seasons," the 54-year-

Sympathetic politicians rallying around Prime Minister Giuliano Amato on Wednesday. His government survived a vote of confidence.

Yeltsin and Parliament in a Deadlock

By Fred Hiatt

Washington Post Service MOSCOW - Russia's parliamentary leaders sought Wednesday to end the nation's political crisis by taking effective control of the government away from President Boris N. Yeltsin, while Mr. Yeltsin accused the conservative legislature of moving toward a pro-communist dictatorship."

But in the first day of an emergency session of the Congress of People's Deputies in the Kremlin's Great Hall, both sides claimed to be open to compromise and neither demonstrated an ability to win a majority of votes among the thousand-plus deputies.

The emergency session was called in an effort to resolve a power struggle that has stymied Mr. Yeltsin's efforts to promote change or maintain consistent economic poli-cies as he seeks to dismantle Soviet-era central planning.

During the 14 months since the Soviet Union collapsed, the boldover parliament has shown the strength to block many of Mr. Yelisin's free-market changes and threaten the offing. The parliamentary leadership's his pro-Western foreign policy, but not to proposal to turn Mir. Yellsin "no someth

impose its own will. The result has been drift and uncontrolled government spending, which has produced a monthly inflation rate of 25 percent, threatening the nation's stabil-

As a result, many deputies have said they hoped this congress would take decisive ac-tion. Genrikh Djimbinov, a deputy from the

The Clinton-Mitterrand meeting: Agree ment on Bosnia and Russia, Page 2.

autonomous republic of Kalmykia, said Russia's 80 administrative regions and semi-inde-pendent republics would simply go their own ways if Moscow could not end the debilitating feuding.

"This is the last chance," he said. "If the congress can't decide things, the people will kick them out. They're sick of all this."

But as both sides postured and maneu-vered for advantage, there was little indica-tion of a peaceful or durable compromise in

resembling a ceremonial head of state attracted a plurality of votes. 420 to 374, but failed, to win the absolute majority of 517 needed. Mr. Yelisin responded to the parliamentapressure with vague threats of unspecified

di e action "The congress is pushing the president toward deep and tragic reflections about what steps he must take to save reforms and save democracy," said Mr. Yelisin's spokesman, Vyacheslav Kostikov.

Sergei A. Filatov, Mr. Yeltsin's chief of staff, said the congress might force Mr. Yelt-sin to take "drastic steps." He declined to say what they might be. Short of the risky step of dissolving the congress and throwing himself on the mercy of the military and KGB, Mr. Yeltsin's options appear limited, his support-ers said Wednesday.

Mr. Filatov, a former deputy speaker of the parliament whose liberal views left him powerless in that body, said opposition to Mr. Yeltsin stemmed from forces seeking to derail privatization and other economic reforms. Parliamentary leaders said they were trying

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Net Tightens On Suspects In New York **Bomb Blast**

3d Man Arrested as FBI Pins Blame on a 'Large, Well-Known Group'

Compiled by Our Stuff From Departure NEWARK, New Jersey — The FBI arrested a Kuwaiu-born chemical engineer on Wednes-day in connection with the World Trade Center bombing, which a senior FBI official has described as the work of a "large, well-known terrorist group." Nidal Ayyad. 25, a Ratgers University grad-

uate and naturalized U.S. citizen, was arrested at his home in Maplewood. New Jersey, without incident, the FBI said. He was the second person to be directly linked to the bombing.

Mr. Avvad was brought before a magistrate on a complaint charging bim with aiding and abetting the bombing, and was ordered held without bail.

An FBI spokesman. James Esposito, said that Mr. Ayyad, a research engineer, had rented the van believed used in the bombing, along

Clashes between Egyptian police and extrem-ists leave 18 people dead. Page 6.

with Mohammed Salameh, who was charged in the case last week. A third suspect has been charged with obstruction of justice in the case. Mr. Esposito said that Mr. Ayyad had known Mr. Salameh for more than a year and that Mr. Avyad, because of his chemical engineering background, "has certain expense that lends itself to this kind of crime."

We feel we have two of the main players." Mr. Esposito said.

An FBI source said, "These two guys are definitely the people who did the bombing." The source said those behind the plot were

still being sought but that the two men made the bomb and drove it to the World Trade Center.

Five people were killed and about 1,000 in-jured in the Feb. 26 explosion in a parking garage below the trade center towers in New York's financial district. One person is sull missing and believed buried in the rubble.

An FBI complaint alleged that Mr. Ayvad and Mr. Salamen shared a bank account. Mr. Ayyad's business card was found among Mr. lameh's personal effects when Mr. Salameh was arrested March 4. the complaint said.

On the day before the bombing, it said. Mr. Salameh was seen making numerous trips to a Jersey City self-storage facility where bombmaking materials were later found. He also was seen making telephone calls from a pay phone



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nearby, and records show four calls were made from that phone to Mr. Ayyad's line at Allied Signal Inc., the company he works for, the complaint alleged.

The new arrest came as the FBI tightened its investigation of the bombings, examining links to El Sayvid Nosair, the man acquitted of killing an anti-Arab extremist, Rabbi Meir Kahanc. in 1990.

Last week, the first link emerged when Mr. Nosair's cousin, Ibrahim A. Elgabrowny, was charged with obstruction in connection with the bombing probe for allegedly scuffling with law enforcement officers during a raid. On Tuesday, Mr. Nosair's attorney, the civil

rights lawyer William Kunstler, said that during Mr. Nosair's 1991 trial in the Kahane slay-

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^TU.S. and Britain Propose New Set of UN Sanctions Against Serbs

By Paul Lewis

New York Times Service UNITED NATIONS - In an effort to induce the Serbs and the Muslims to sign a peace agreement, the United States and Britain are preparing new Security Council action to cat off Yugoslavia and Serb-controlled parts of Bosnia from the rest of the world, enforce the ban on flights over Bosnia and perhaps allow the Serbs' Muslim enemies to rearm.

Diplomats say the Security Council will take such action only if President Alija Izetbegovie of Bosnia-Herzegovina agrees to sign the peace package put together by Cynus R.

Vance and Lord Owen, the Balkan mediators, when he returns here later this week, and if the leader of the Bosnian Serbs, Radovan Karadzic, again refuses to do so. The new sanctions would probably be included in a

Romania says it will respect the UN-imposed embargo on Yugoslavia despite threats to blockade the Danabe, Page 2.

council resolution approving the Vance-Owen proposals. The proposed new sanctions would suspend all traffic in and out of Yugoslavia and Serb-controlled parts of Bosnia basic principles of a new constitution and provide for a .

When he left New York last weekend after talks with Mr. Vance and Lord Owen, Mr. Izetbegovic said he hoped to be able to accept the whole package when he returned. But Mr. Karadzic, who has not been invited back to New York, made it clear that he still rejected the package, which would reduce the territory his forces control from 70 percent of Bosnia to 43 percent.

by land and water, lightening an embargo already in place.

cease-fire and military disengagement under UN supervi-sion. The package would empower NATO to use warplanes to enforce the ban on flights over Bosnia.

"It will be a comprehensive effort to get all parties to sign up to the peace agreement, "Britain's UN representative, Sir David Hannay, said alter Tuesday's discussions. Western diplomats on the Security Council said Russia

and China, which have veto power on the council, would accept such a package if the Muslims accepted the peace plan and Mr. Karadzie held out against it.

But there is no guarantee that Mr. Izetbegovie will sign, and many officials involved fear he may bring new demands unacceptable to the Serbs.

Democrats Tell Federal Reserve: Watch It

By Lawrence Malkin wi Herald Tribune

NEW YORK --- The Federal Reserve Board on Wednesday reported continued but spotty growth in the U.S. economy as Democrats in Congress tried to ensure that the central bank would not undermine President Bill Clinton's economic program by raising interest rates.

In an unprecedented summons, the Senate Banking Committee called the 12 presidents of the Fed's district banks to ask them to testify about the economy. The panel has also intro-duced a hill stripping them of their power to vote on monetary policy, which five of the 12 do on a rotating basis on the Federal Open Market Committee. Its chances of passage are consider-ably less than its potential for intimidation.

What the regional bankers said was less sur-,

prising than their joint appearance itself. In general; they gave an upbeat assessment of the economy, foresaw lower inflation and remarked on regional disparines of the recovery, similar to the survey in the Fed's so-called Tan

President Clinton is warming to calls for \$90 illion more in spending cuts. Page 3.

Book survey, which is compiled from their regional reports.

As they addressed senators in the ornate Banking Committee chamber, the Fed released its survey, based on information up to March 1. Even after Christmas it found signs of strength in retail trade and manufacturing, especially in durable goods, but weakness in California and

The survey, which will be used at the Open Market Committee's meeting on March 23 to set interest rates, also saw few signs of inflation aside from some raw materials, notably lumber. Business loan demand was either flat or grew slightly depending on the region, indicating caution in expansion and hiring.

Traditionally an object of populist suspicion. the Fed has come under attack by some Democrats. They fear its appointed members, selected by the local business establishments and not subject to congressional confirmation, will keep bailling inflation and raise interest rates even if Mr. Clinton's deficit-cutting program is passed See OUTLOOK, Page 8

UN Draws Apathy, Not Awe, in Somalia By Keith B. Richburg

Washington Post Service MOGADISHU, Somalia — The huge American amphibious landing vehicle that

for weeks sat like a sentry at the city's strategic Kilometer Four traffic circle is gone now. In its place is a small white tank with "UN painted in black on the sides.

Compared to the hulking U.S. craft, the little white tank resembles a child's toy, or perhaps a carnival bumper car. It can barely fit two people; the American vehicle can accommodate several Marines and their gear. The huge American machine seemed to inspire awe among Somali passers-by who would press against the surrounding barbed wire for a look, but Somalis seem oblivious to the UN tank and the Nigerian soldiers stand-

ing watch. Nevertheless, the switch of tanks is a reminder of a crucial event in this country's attempt to overcome its civil war and mass starvation. Ninety days after the first U.S. Marines landed under the glare of television lights, a transition from a U.S.-ted force to a LIN operation appears to be taking shape. A new UN commander, Lieutenant General Cevik Bir of Turkey, is en route. A Security Council resolution authorizing the operation is expected soon, possibly this week. A retired American admiral, Jonathan T. Howe, took over as envoy to Somalia on Monday, replacing the Iraqi-born Ismat Kittani, who was considered ineffective. There is even a proposed changeover date - May 1.

In replacing U.S. troops, the United Nations is embarking on one of the largest costliest and most difficult operations in its history. About 28,000 soldiers and 2,800 civilian administrators will serve under the UN flag in Somalia

As the inevitability of the turnover becomes apparent. Somalis and relief workers are raising serious questions, expressing nagging concerns and experiencing a growing sense of anxiety. How aggressive will the UN force be in continuing the tough job of dis-arming the country's militias? How effective will they prove when challenged militarily as diplomats and aid workers say they inevitably will be - hy resurgent warlords and their teenaged gunmen? Will the UN force do a better job than the Americans in putting

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SEX TRANSIT GLORIA - Are sexy clothes passe? Suzy Menkes reports on a, new trend at the Milan fashion shows: the convent and celibacy style. Here's Pra-da's medieval penitential look. Page 7.

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Doctor Slain at U.S. Abortion Protest

PENSACOLA, Florida (UPI) - A pro-tester shot a doctor to death at a Pensacola abortion elinic on Wednesday after telling the physician, "Don't kill any more babies," witnesses said.

Dr. David Gunn, 47, was shot behind Pensacola Medical Services and died later at a hospital, a police spokesman said. He was shot several times in the chest with a .38caliber revolver, the spokesman added. Michael Frederic Griffin, 31, was arrested

at the scene. Mr. Griffin approached a police officer and admitted to the shooting, the

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spokesman said. Rescue America, a Houston group that sponsored the protest, said the shooting followed an exchange in which Mr. Griffin told the doctor, "Don't kill any more babies." Don Treshman, national director of Res-

cue America, issued a statement saying, "While we think Gunn's death is unfortunate, the fact is that a number of mothers would have been put at risk today and over a dozen babies would have died at his hands." Police said there were 12 to 15 protesters outside the clinic at the time of the shooting.

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For Clinton and Mitterrand, a Revival Meeting of Sorts

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WASHINGTON - Tamished in the last year of the Bush administration by theological quarrels on European defense and trade. French-American cooperation on global problems gained a new luster from the latest White House meeting between Presidents Bill Clinton and François Mitterrand.

The two men - Mr. Mitterrand, the most senior leader of a major industrial democracy in age and length of service, and Mr. Clinton, the youngest on both scores - reflected the positive tone of their meeting in public statements afterward. Even more convincing signs of a fresh U.S.-French start came in the undisclosed substance of their discussion:

Mr. Mitterrand offered Mr. Clinton unexpected but welcome help on the Bosnian peace negotiations. The French leader told Mr. Clinton on Tuesday that he would push President Slobodan Milosevic of Serbia to come to terms on Bosnia in a meeting in Paris on Thursday that will include the United Nations negotiators Cyrus R. Vance and Lord Owen.

quick rapport on the urgency of extending support to emergency-rule support, apparently preferring to wait

Boris N. Yeltsin of Russia, whom the French leader will visit in Moscow next week. Mr. Clinton engaged Mr. Mitterrand in a lengthy discussion of a letter that both men received late last week from Chancellor Helmur Kohl nf Germany, which expressed concern about Mr. Yelisin's ability to survive the impending showdown in Moscow over a new consultation.

Mr. Kohi's letter of alarm, first reported Wednesday by The Financial Times of London and confirmed

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in Washington by official sources, went to the leaders of the Group of Seven major industrialized democracies.

The chancellor quoted Mr. Yeltsin as asking for expressions of Western support if he is forced to carry out his recent threat to introduce emergency rule in Russia. Mr. Kohl wrote the leaders of Britain, Canada. France, Italy, Japan and the United States after conferring with Mr. Yeltsin last week in Moscow.

Neither Mr. Clinton nor Mr. Mitterrand outlined Mr. Clinton and Mr. Mitterrand also established what they would do about Mr. Yeltsin's request for

until that unwelcome development transpires to make such a decision, officials said

But the discussion and the Kohl letter provoked Mr. But the discussion and the Koul letter provoked Mr. Clinton's unexpected emphasis Tuesday on the urgent need to belp Mr. Yeltsin well before the Group of Seven summit meeting in Tokyo in July. Mr. Clinton stopped just short of endorsing emergency summit talks, saying in a joint press conference with Mr. Mitterrand, "I don't believe we can wait until July." Different in personality and far apart in age, Mr. Clinton, 46, and Mr. Mitterrand, 76, share an all-consuming interest in policies and personalities. The

consuming interest in politics and personalities. The French leader treated George Bush as an experienced statesman, even as they guarreled over the North Atlantic Treaty Organization's role in Europe beyond the Cold War. Mr. Mitterrand will deal with Mr. Clinton as a political equal who is still learning the ropes in international affairs.

A successful meeting was obviously in the interest of both men and particularly of Mr. Mitterrand, whose Socialists are expected to lose control of the National Assembly and the government in elections this month. The French leader, whose term runs for two more years, argues that under the constitution be is in charge of foreign policy for France.

Normally a stickler for protocol - the world's mighty have frequently cooled their beels waiting for him to be last to take his place at a meeting - Mr. Mitterrand made the one-day voyage to Washington witherrand made the one-day voyage to washington without a quibble. Normally the newly elected presi-dent should have been the one to displace himself to visit his French counterpart, who has been in office nearly 12 years.

In their discussions on the former Yugoslavia, Mr. Mitterrand and Mr. Clinton sketched out an implicit division of labor, with the Americans maneuvering the Bosnian Muslims to accept the Vance-Owen plan and the French applying new pressure on the Serbs through Mr. Milosevic. Croatia has accepted the main provisions of the plan.

Moreover, Mr. Mitterrand steered clear of the po-tentially divisive issue of NATO's role in resolving the Bosnian conflict and concentrated on the practical problems of enforcing the agreement once it is reached. The French leader emphasized to his Ameri-can best that the United States should be ready to fulfill its pledge to deploy ground troops as part of a multinational peacekeeping force as soon as the peace agreement is signed.

WORLD BRIEFS

Joxe Gets Secure Civil Service Post

PARIS (Reuters) — Pierre Jone, the French defense minister, left office Wednesday for a secure civil service job, infuriating opposition leaders, who attacked the move as the "banana republic politics" of a dying Socialist administration.

With less than two weeks to go before parliamentary elections that the Socialists are expected to lose by a landslide, President François Mitter-rand named Mr. Joze, one of his most faithful lieutenants, president of the public audit office. He is the most senior of a number of Socialists being moved to secure civil service jobs ahead of the two-round elections on March 21 and 28.

The appointment puts Mr. Joxe in charge of monitoring state spending and, significantly in opposition eyes, makes him untouchable until he reaches the statutory retirement age of 68. He is 58 now. His defense portfolio passes into the hands of Prime Minister Pierre Bergovoy.

Czechs to Finish Soviet Nuclear Site

PRAGUE (Reuters) - Prime Minister Vaciav Klaus of the Czech PRAGUE (Reuters) — Prime Minister Vaciav Klaus of the Czech Republic said Wednesday that his government would go abead with the completion of a Soviet-designed nuclear plant, a decision with far-reaching implications for nuclear energy in Eastern Europe. The decision was made at a cabinet meeting Wednesday after almost a year of public debate over whether to complete a 2,000-megawatt plate of Temelin, 160 kilometers (100 miles) south of Prague near the Austrian

border.

The go-ahead was almost certain to result in a \$345 million contract for Westinghouse Electric and could be a milesione on the road to rehabili-tate dozens of Soviet-designed plants all over Eastern Europe. It would be the first time Western technology was used to modify Soviet designs.

Envoy in San José Warns of Massacre

SAN JOSE. Costa Rica (AP) — Ambassador Alfonso Robelo of Nicaragua said Wednesday that authorities should not mount an opera-tion to free him and other hostages being held in his embassy because it

tion to free him and other hostages being held in mis enhaussy occase it could cause a massacre. Three men anned with assault rifles took the embassy staffers hostage on Monday and are demanding the dismissals of the head of the Nicaraguan Army and the Nicaraguan president's chief adviser, and millions of dollars. Police officers have surrounded the embassy. "I hope they don't do something stupid or insensitive that would cause a massacre, a bloodbath," Mr. Robelo said in comments broadcast by Radio Monumental. Nicaragua's Cardinal Miguel Obando y Bravo failed in initial talks to persuade the hostage takers to end the standoff. "They have gallons of gasoline there," be said. "and if someone smokes or there is a gunshot, this could end tragically."

Alleged IRA Bomb Foiled in London

LONDON (Reuters) - The police have foiled an apparent Irish Republican Army plot to explode a blockbuster bomb at a prestigious London target to mark the 20th anniversary of its mainland campaign of

Scotland Yard police headquarters said Wednesday that officers seized several hundred pounds of home-made explosives in a private garage in North London along with a saloon car. It declined to give any more details. "This is another body blow for the IRA, which is desperate to fight back after recent police successes," a security source said

Anti-terrorist sources said no documents, maps or target lists had been And-terrors sources said no documents, maps or target lists had beer found in the garage. This followed press speculation that the bomb wal-meant for either Prime Minister John Major's Downing Street office or Queen Elizabeth's Buckingham Palace. Republican sources in Belfast said Downing Street and the palace would have been prime "reprisal targets" for the IRA.

Airline Accident Deaths Rise Sharply

MONTREAL (AFP) - The number of people who died from accidents on regular airline flights worldwide jumped to 1.097 last year from 653 in 1991, the International Civil Aviation Organization announced Wednesday.

There were 29 accidents last year against 30 the year before, but the number of passengers killed per kilometer traveled went to 0.06 per 100 million from 0.04 per 100 million in 1991 according to the organization. Forty-four accidents on charter flights claimed 366 lives last year against 26 accidents and 385 dealts in 1991. Hijackings and terrorist

tacks on civilian aircraft left nine dead and 123 wounded in nine incidents last year against 13 incidents which left seven dead and two wounded the year before.

For the Record

President Sobarto of Indonesia was re-elected Wednesday for a new live-year term. His election, a foregone conclusion, was agreed by the 1,000-member People's Consultative Assembly without a vote. As with each of the past elections since he rose to power in 1965, he was unopposed. (Reuters)

N-Arms Destruction Is Stalling in Russia Most U.S. Aid Yet to Be Spent

By Elaine Sciolino New York Times Service WASHINGTON - A program

to use \$800 million in American funds to help dismantle Russia's nuclear weapons has bogged down over chaos within Russia, Moscow's lingering obsession with secreey and its determination th make as much money as it can on the nuclear materials that the country is giving up, a Senate committee has been told.

Sixteen months ago. Congress authorized the first half of the \$800 million, but only \$25 million bas been spent. A total of \$303 million has been committed to particular projects, but much of that is contingent on decisions by Russia or the other three former Soviet states that have nuclear weapons -Ukraine, Belarus and Kazakhstan.

Significant gaps remain in our nation's understanding of how best to deal with the former Soviet Union's nuclear weapons, Joseph E. Kelley, a director of international affairs for the General Accounting Office, told the Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs on Tuesday, "Russia's refusal to permut direct U.S. involvement in its dismanilement process appears to seriously constrain U.S. options for accelerating the rate at which Russta is dismantling former Soviet nuclear weapons.

Major General William Burns, the hearing said that the problems the State Department official who were not all on the Russian side. heads the U.S. team responsible for They said that some of the slowness the effort, defended what he called in administering the program was the "substantial progress" made in the result of resistance by the Bush carrying out the program since it administration, particularly in the was passed by Congress in 1991. Pentagon, to carry out a rather unbut acknowledged the daunting ortbodox program imposed by task that lay thead.

He described the problems as ministration's slowness in pushing "enormous," and recognized only key officials through the confirma-"very recently." A "wistfulness" tion process.

for the concept of a Soviet Union is still very strong among Russian leaders, he said, adding, "You're not going to change their minds overnight."

Any progress with Russia is com-plicated by the fact that the other three nuclear republics also want to be compensated fully for giving up their nuclear weapons, he said. The most overwhelming and im-

mediate challenge is how to store the more than 50 tons of plutonium that is part of the world's largest nuclear-weapons arsenal, General Burns said. The Russians are designing an underground bunker that could be as long as one-third of a mile, but refuse to tell the United States exactly in what form the plutonium will be stored,

He said the Russians still believed that their plutonium was valuable for some undefined future use.

Another illustration of the complicated nature of the process is an agreement signed by the United States with Russia last month for the purchase of 500 tons of highly enriched uranium from the wearons. But the Russians have not worked out a mutually acceptable compensation agreement with Ukraine, Belarus and Kazakhstan, so none of the money can be spent.

Other lawmakers not involved in Congress, and the new Clinton ad-

President Yeltsin conferring with an aide at the emergency session of the Congress of People's Deputies on Wednesday.

Romanians to Respect Embargo

Yugoslavia Vows Retaliation by Blocking the Danube

Computed by Our Staff From Despatches BUCHAREST - Romania said Wednesday that it would maintain the UN embargo on Yugoslavia despite a threat by Yugoslav barge crews to blockade the Danube.

The Romanian authorities will continue to enforce the UN Security Council's sanctions against Yugoslavia." the Interior Ministry said in a statement.

Milosevic, had been invited to Paris on Thursday to meet with him, the EC envoy Lord Owen and President François Mitterrand of France.

Mr. Vance said he hoped the meeting woold pave the way for the next round of peace talks in New York and that Mr. Milosevic could persuade the leader of the Bosnian Serbs, Radovan Karadzic, to place heavy weapons under UN control. Serbs reportedly gained ground in their offen-sive in eastern Bosnia, and for a second day

Wednesday blocked a UN convoy hoping to evac-

Local officials reported that scores of people

were killed in a heavy artillery attack on the

enclave of Konjevic Polje. A French peacekeeper was injured by gunfire

Tuesday. In Sarajevo, Serbs and the Bosnian gov-

brenica fell to advancing Serbs who were within

uate the sick and wounded.

RUSSIA:

Moscow Deadlock

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to save Russia from the economic collapse that they said Mr. Yelt-sin's changes had caused. The dep-uty speaker, Nikolai Ryabov, criti-cized "runaway privatization" and said he favored graduatism and

"socially oriented market reforms" as opposed to Mr. Yeltsia's "efficient market reforms."

The leadership, led by the speak-

CIA Declares War on Spies Waging Industrial Espionage

Restors WASHINGTON - The United States will crack down on foreign spies who conduct industrial espionage, the director of central intelligence has told a congressional panel. The director, R. James Woolsey Jr., also dismissed news reports

indicating be had made commitments to put U.S. intelligence at the disposal of American companies.

"It's fair to say that during the Cold War, we were relatively gentle," Mr. Woolsey testified. "We would see bribery to the detriment of American companies, we would see foreign intelligence services conducting industrial espionage against American compa-nies, and we would perhaps remonstrate but not be firm in the interests of the greater good of defeating the Soviet Union."

With the Cold War over. Mr. Woolsey said, the CIA was free to focus more on economic espionage. He said he would approach the task "with particular vigor and relish" and would subject the offending governments to "unhappy consequences."

The state news agency Rompres, which carried the statement, said a Yugoslav tugboat pulling six barges laden with bread and fuel oil had been denied access to a locks on Wednesday.

Milan Petrovic, the leader of Yugoslav barge crews, said earlier that his members would block-ade the Danube from midnight and until Romania lifted its restrictions.

ernment exchanged 119 prisoners. The last Muslim defense position outside Sre-"We shall block the Danube with about 70 vessels and sbut it down to traffic until the Romanian authorities lift their restriction on Yugoslav shipping and restore our rights to work." Mr. Petrovic said.

The Romanian statement said the tugboat Kumanovo had not been allowed to enter the Iron Gates II locks. Romania, acting under strong international

pressure to enforce sanctions imposed on Belgrade for its role in the war in Bosnia, blocked Yugoslav shipping in the area after several Yugoslav barges loaded with gasoline broke the embargo. Yugoslav sailors blocked the Danube for a week

last month, warning that they would do it again if Romania did not change its attitude. In New York, the UN peace envoy Cyrus R. Vance said that the Serbian president, Slobodan

three kilometers of the town, said a local Bosnian Anny spokesman, Ibrahim Becirevic, reached by ham radio from Zagreb, Croatia. A UN convoy headed to the Konjevic Polje region north of Srebrenica to evacuate up to 75 sick and wounded Muslims was blocked for a

second day by local Serbian commanders at Zvornik on the Serbian border, said Tony Land, the representative for the UN High Commissioner for Refugees in Sarajevo. He said the Serbian commander was insisting

that soldiers not be included, but Mr. Land said that would exclude males between the ages of 18 and 60, who constitute a "large proportion" of the seriously wounded. (Reuters, AP)

er. Rusian I. Khasbulatov, urged canceling a proposed referendum, which Mr. Yeltsin had sought as a way to resolve the power struggle. It also said congress would be the supreme power in Russia, with Mr. Yeltsin serving as a head of state without power to introduce legislation. The parliament would confirm and control a cabinet, while the president would not interfere in day-to-day affairs.

Mr. Yeltsin responded with a proposal that essentially preserves the status quo, while giving the president more control over monotary policy and the central bank. His spokesman said he was willing to postpone a referendum if a power-sharing compromise could be achieved.

The president does not have the legal power to conduct a referendum if the congress disapproves But presidential advisers said Mr. Yeitsin might order a "plebisicite,

TRAVEL UPDATE

A general strike continued on the Caribbean island of Saint Maarten, as 1,000 protesters demanded that the Dutch government call new elections and return control of the island's finances to local government. Although stores and schools were closed and traffic was severely hampered by blockades. few tourists were stranded as botels found alternative routes for their guests to reach the airport. - (Reuters)

Manila's city council has banned suspected prostitution fronts - inns. motels, massage padors, sauna baths, beerhouses and cabarets -- Iron its tourist district of Ermita. The ordinance said business permits would be issued only to curio, antique, souvenir and handicraft shops, art galleries, record or music shops, restaurants, cafes and flower shops. (AFP)

A strike by drivers of the Paris Metro and suburban RER subway stems got off to a slow start Wednesday and looked likely to peter out after Iresh concessions by management. Traffic had stopped on only one of the 13 Metro lines and was slower on three others for about two hours after the service began operating, but things went quickly back to normal from 7:00 A.M. The RER and bus services were running normally. Drivers are protesting a work restructuring plan. (AFP)

Brussels subway authorities plan to licenses musicians. Reacting to growing complaints from passengers, they will curb the number of musicians playing in trains and stations. A spokesman said some were just beggars who use abusive language" if they do not get money. (AP)

Almost half of London's buses remained in garages Wednesday as drivers and conductors held a one-day strike over pay and working conditions. The bus company plans to cut £30 (\$42.90) from the average weekly salary of £250 and extend the working week to 45 hours from 42 hours to better compete with the private sector. (AP)

Traffic speed along the Paris expressways on the banks of the Scine will be limited to 70 kilometers an hour (40 miles an hour). The speed limit elsewhere in Paris is 50 kilometers an hour,

Work on the new subway in Athens is on schedule, and the two lines will open in 1997, the environment and public works minister, Achilleas Karamanlis, said Wednesday. (Reuters)

Bulgaria reopened ports and road links on Wednesday after the heaviest snow in a decade paralyzed transport links at the start of the week. Rail traffic was reported normal for winter conditions. (Reuters) (Reuters)

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Rodney King, on Cross-Examination, Sticks to His Version

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES - Testifying under cross-examination Wednesday, Rodney G. King said that he may have lorgotten some details of his beating hy police officers but that he had not tried to exaggerate

in his account of the incident. Mr. King, maintaining his composure under pressure from a defense attorney, conceded that he had lied in the past about marijuana use because he was afraid of getting into trouble.

The cross-examination came on his second day on the stand in the federal trial of four Los Angeles policemen charged in the beating two years ago, which was videotaped hy an amateur. The four were acquitted in a state trial last year.

sparking riots in Los Angeles and other cities. In direct testimony Tuesday, Mr.

King, 27, described hearing racial epithets during a beating. On Wednesday, he appeared

give users additional strength. Mr. Powell and a former police officer, Timothy E. Wind, are ac-Race Element Introduced cused of civil rights violations for Seth Mydans of The New York Times reported earlier from Los Andubbing and kicking Mr. King while he was on the ground; Officer Theodore J. Briseno for stomping geles: Radiating vulnerability and a on him, and Sergeant Stacey C.

M. Powell, tried to show inconsis-

tencies between what Mr. King had

told investigators and grand jurors

and what be was now telling a jury

about his arrest after an auto chase.

sense of guilelessness, Mr. King narrated to a hushed courtroom the Koon for not stopping the beating. They each face up to 10 years in prison and \$250,000 in fines. beating two years ago, saying that the police officers taunted him with

Ouestions about marijuana racial epithets, threatened to kill opened the testimony Wednesday, but Mr. Stone never established before clubbing him. when Mr. King smoked marijuana. Mr. King acknowledged that he

beating, Mr. King imitated in a singsong voice what he said were told internal investigators the day after the beating that "I don't do the taunts of the police while he dope. I don't do it." He agreed with was being beaten. "I beard as they Mr. Stone that he denied using hit me," he said. "they were chantthe taunts of the police while he

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puzzled as Michael Stone, who rep-resents one defendant. Laurence uon of his parole. "What's up, killer? What's up, nigger? How year that ended in acquittals. Many But he denied ever having taken you feel, killer?"

He said he told them he felt fine, PCP. The policemen claimed that they used the force they did in the because "I didn't want them to know that what they were doing was getting to me - I didn't want arrest because they feared Mr. King was on the drug, which can them to get any satisfaction."

The testimony forcefully introduced race into the trial, which previously had managed to avoid the issue. Despite widespread percepuons among blacks that the beating was racially mnuvated, prosecutors have not asserted that the four policemen acted with racial malice. In testimony that offered a crucial version of the events shown on the amateur videotape of the beat-

ing, Mr. King asserted that be nevhim and provoked him to try to flee and was trying his best to chey In his first testimony about the their orders.

"I was just trying to stay alive. sir." he told a prosecutor, Barry F. Kowalski,

count of the beating. He admitted he had been drinking when he led lawyers who followed the trial said highway patrolmen on a highway chase that he said reached 80 miles the prosecutors' decision not to call Mr. King as a witness allowed the

(130 kilometers) per hour. Mr. King said he fled because he was defense wide latitude to portray him as a threatening figure. afraid of being sent back to prison for having violated his parole on a 1989 conviction for robbing a con-The federal prosecutors who called him to the stand Tuesday venience store.

were gambling that jurons would see him as more vulnerable than threatening, and indeed that was the image he seemed to present. His testimony Tuesday seemed to provide major gains for the pros-ROUTION.

On the stand, Mr. King spoke slowly and sometimes groped for words. He testified that he obeyed the officers' orders after the pursuit er attacked or provoked the officers on March 3, 1991. But he said he may have been slow to comply be-

cause be was confused by conflicting orders from several officers. In 45 minutes of emotional testimony in response to questions by

Mr. King did not testily at the Mr. Kowalski, be gave a vivid ac-

SOMALIA: Awe of U.S., but an Apathy Toward UN (Continued from page 1) down ongoing clan violence in places such as Kismayu or farther

north around Galkacyo?

its mandate to help Somalis rebuild their institutions and establish

either on Bosnia, Cambodia or So- larger chunk of territory, the UN force will be stretched thin. "Yes, the land mass you're going to be covering is going up," a U.S. offi-This week, for the first time, the number of allied coalition broops cial conceded. on the ground surpassed the number of American forces. On Sun-day, 13,985 U.S. troops remained

In the days before the Marines landed, U.S. diplomats in Mogadiin Somalia, compared to 14,017 troops from 24 nations. American shu warned Somalia's main warlord, General Mohammed Farrah Aidid, to move his heavy equiptroops remain only in Bardera, Merca, Kismayu and Mogadishu. Troops from other nations are demean, men and "technical" vehicles. north of the U.S. operating zone. He complied, and his men and machines roam freely in a kind of noman's-land around Galkacyo. It will be up to the UN force to try to garrison them.

Colonel Fred Peck of the Marines, the U.S. military spokesman, said American forces had "a minimai sense of what's going on" m the area north of their zone, "We don't have a good picture," he said. "There are clan militia forces up

Still, he said, the UN troop numbers should be "quite adequate." They will be supplemented by a Somali police force of 3,000 men. ready contained much of the vio-

Treatment has changed drastically in recent years with the use of drugs to dissolve the blood clots that become stuck in the heart's arteries, causing heart attacks. The new research raises the possibility that angioplasty, which

many experts had dismissed as a heart attack treatment. works better. The largest of the studies, conducted in Michigan.

"These studies will reopen the debate about the use of angioplasty therapy." said Dr. William W. O'Neill, senior author of the study.

angioplasty more effective. But a third, performed at the

Mayo Clinic in Minnesola, concludes the two methods are equally effective. All three appear Thursday in the New England Journal of Medicine.

Ordinarily, angioplasty is done mainly to relieve chest pain. A report released earlier this week showed that women are 10 times more likely than men to die after

However, the Michigan study suggested that angioplasty appears to help women even more than men. Four percent of women died after angioplasty, compared with la percent after clot-dissolving drugs. Two percent of men died after angioplasty, while 4 percent did after drug therapy

For Heart Attacks, Studies Rate Balloon Therapy Over Drugs

The Associated Press

BOSTON -- Stopping heart attacks by forcing open clogged arteries with balloons appears to save more lives than injecting clot-dissolving drugs, which is now the leading therapy for the illness, researchers say. The results are controversial, in part because they could

influence the routine care provided for a medical emergen-cy that strikes 1.5 million Americans a year, killing onethird of them, While clot-dissolving drugs are available virtually ev-

erywhere, the balloon technique, called angioplasty, can he performed at fewer than 20 percent of American hospituls. Setting up and staffing more angioplasty facilities would be extremely expensive.

treatment compared the two strategies and found that angioplasty halved the risk of death and new heart attacks. A smaller study, conducted in Holland, also found

the ability of the UN force to meet some semblance of government.

As with the United States, there is still "no real effort to sit down and figure out exactly what it is" the UN force wants to do, said Rakiya Omaar, n Somali human

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One national contingent of the UN force, at least, has already removed most doubts about their soldiers' resolve. Last month, when supers opened fire on a hotel, the Nigerians responded with an hourong bullet and grenade barrage that essentially destroyed the snip-ers' suspected hideaway. American

the Nigerians' lack of "fire disci-pline," and relief workers said stray bullets hit their compounds.

Finally, there is concern about avoid.

third of Somalia, the "famine zone"

will have responsibility for the en-tire country, including the breakaway "Somaliland Republic," and

rights activist in London who heads its capital, Hargeisa, and the area and the Americans, will have althe group African Rights. "You around war-torn Galkacyo. With can't impose a political settlement, fewer troops responsible for a far lence in the southern regions.

Uen, where Canadian troops are there." based. The UN force, by contrast,

malia

Diplomats and relief workers expect the UN force to encounter obstacles that the U.S.-led forces did sot, or that they were able to

ployed in all the other Somali

towns across the famine belt.

For one, the U.S. intervention forces operate only in the southern that ends north at the town of Belet





freedom with license. If Mr. Clinton began arriving at state dinners in bare feet and bib overalls, stock prices would edge uneasily down. The president need not be impeccably tailored, but a certain dignity So what's with that, that ... toaster on his wrist?

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The White House reports that it is a "Timex Ironman Tristhion" with lighted dial. It costs \$39 at any drug store.

The time is displayed in boxy segmented numerals, like on your anicrowave. It can be calibrated to the hundredth of a second, the biggits flying by with such ferocity that they are just a blur of phosphorescence. The band is corrugated rubber, resembling the tread of a tractor tire. The face is black and orange.

tread of a tractor tire. The face is black and orange. Yes, the president is a jogger, and he should wear whatever beeping monstrosity he deems necessary to calibrate his times — though one is tempted to point out that he is not exactly dogging Carl Lewis for a spot on the '96 Olympic team. The prohlem is that, after his shower, Clinton does not leave this watch next to the toothbrush rack. It most recently turned up in a photo on Page 1 of The Washington Post, when the president, in suit and tie and wrist gargoyle, was in conference with the secretary-general of the United Nations. You want to know what time it is Mr. President? You want to know what time it is, Mr. President?

Time to get another watch.



Hai Dol Agence The watch: jogger's friend or presidential carbuncle?

Judge Bars Closed Meetings of Health Panel

WASHINGTON — A judge on Wednesday barred further meet-ings of President Clinton's health care task force and the groups advising it until they abide by federal open meetings laws. Acting on a suit by two health care associations and a public-interest group, Judge Royce C. Lamberth of the U.S. District Court said the veil the White House had placed around the task force violates the 1972 Federal Advisory Committee Act. "While the court takes no pleasure in determining that one of the first actions taken by a new president is in direct violation of a

first actions taken by a new president is in direct violation of a statute enacted by Congress, the court's duty is to apply the law to all individuals, "Judge Lamberth said in a 30-page opinion accompany-ing his preliminary injunction.

Ing his preminary infunction. Mr. Clinton appointed the task force five days after taking office and named his wife, Hillary Rodham Clinton, to head it. Because Mrs. Clinton is neither a federal officer nor a full-time federal employee, the plaintiffs contended that its meetings and meetings of the 15 different advisory groups had to be open to the public. Judge Lamberth said the White House violated the law by not

formally registering the task force with the Library of Congress and

by not giving notice in advance of its meetings or meetings of 340 advisory groups now siting through various proposals. Justice Department attorneys, representing the Clinton adminis-tration, had contended that the 1972 law did not apply because Mrs. Clinton, as first lady, was the "functional equivalent of a federal

By Ann Devroy and Eric Pianin Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON - President Bill Clinton has signaled that he could accept calls for reducing the deficit by \$90 billion beyond the level he proposed, but he said that more than that could stall the economic

While the White House and congressional Democrats negotiated over the size of the spending cuts, the first part of Mr. Clinton's economic package moved toward passage. The House Appropriations Committee, by voice vote, approved the president's \$16.2 billion stimulus package that includes \$4 billion to extend unemployment benefits to an estimated 1.9 million people who have exhausted their regular state henefit

The White House, eager to get its economic stimulus proposals locked in place, has been receptive to calls in Congress for additional spending cuts, doing whatever is necessary to keep its plan on track. Administration strategists say that additional cuts are acceptable as long as they do not jeopardize the stimulus proposals or alitenate large numbers of House or Senate members.

The House and Senate budget committees were to

begin drafting budget resolutions Wednesday, an im- Tennessee, raised the ante on deficit reduction by accede to deficit reduction beyond his original portant step in adopting Mr. Clinton's program for deficit reduction and spending to restructure and enhance the economy.

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Once Congress approves the hudget resolution and stimulus package, the administration will shift its attention to negotiating the details of the spending cuts, which for now remain loosely defined.

Leon E. Panetta, director of the Office of Management and Budget, said Tuesday, "We want to get our package through before Easter recess, and we want to make sure we can hold the coalition together on both

sides to make that happen." Democrats on the House Budget Committee want to add \$63 billion in spending cuts over five years to those already proposed by Mr. Clinton. Their counter-parts in the Senate favor an additional \$90 billion in spending cuts, revenue increases and other savings.

[On Wednesday, however, the chairman of the Senare Budget Committee offered a plan to trim the deficit by \$502 billion over five years, which is \$96 billion more than Mr. Clinton proposed. Reuters reported from Washington. [The plan, by Senator Jim Sasser, Democrat of

exceeding other Senate proposals by 56 hillion.

(Mr. Sasser said his approach kept the spirit of Mr. Chinton's proposal. "While there are additional sav-ings in this resolution, the president's conceptual and philosophical approach guides us." he said.]

The additional cuts being discussed are necessary to keep Mr. Clinton's budget proposals beneath the spending caps imposed in a 1990 budget summit meeting and to make up for lost ground after the Congressional Budget Office declared last week that Mr. Clinton's tax and spending proposals would fall about \$67 hillion short of his five-year deficit-reduction target.

Mr. Clinton said he wanted to reduce the deficit rending by a total of \$473 hillion over five years. Mr. Panetta said that while additional spending cuts

were necessary, there was a danger that he going too far Congress would "destroy the balance" in Mr. Clinton's economic plan.

Mr. Climon met Tuesday morning at the White House with Senate Budget Committee Democrats and in the evening with 15 moderate and conservative Senate Democrats, all of whom are pressing him to

proposals.

Some of the moderates and conservatives, including Senator David L. Boren, Democrat of Oklahoma. sought assurances that the spending cuts would be nailed down before Congress was asked to approve the stimulus package. Mr. Boren and others outlined several approaches to achieve their goal, including deferring action on all but those portions of the stimulus package that are "time sensitive." such as summer jobs

The House Democrats' approach to saving an additional \$63 billion largely turns on a freeze on discretionary spending over the next five years and a reduction in the cost-of-living benefits for retired federal employees and military personnel below the age of 62.

Budget Committee Democrats favor achieving more than \$90 billion in deficit reduction by cutting spending an additional \$45 billion, raising \$20 billion more in revenue through assorted user fees and crediting the administration with a \$17 billion savings for

New Charges Hit Housing Department

(WP)

By Guy Gugliotta Washington Post Service WASHINGTON - Four years

after scandal rocked the Depart-ment of Housing and Urban Development, the agency remains plagued by "critical management failures" and systemic weaknesses that put more than \$1 trillion in programs at risk, according to a confidential report compiled by the Clinton administration. The report, prepared by the Clinton transition team, repeatedly

criticizes the department for poor financial management, inadequate record-keeping and staff shortages, all of which, it said, leave the department open to "fraud, waste, abuse and mismanagement."

The report left the new housing secretary, Henry G. Cimeros, with the "two-pronged challenge" of implementing the administration's elaborate urban development strat-egy while overhauling the department during a budget squeeze. President Bill Clinton regards

urban development as a coordinated process that should address education, housing, crime and social services simultaneously. At the same time, however, the

report stresses the urgency of struc-tural change in virtually every program. It said the Federal Housing Administration, which insures low-and moderate-income apartment buildings, needs to get rid of thou-

sands of housing units, but lacks "any coherent strategy" to avoid billions more in defaulted loans.

In the program, which spends billions of dollars to bring decent, affordable housing within the reach



Janet Reno during confirmation hearings on Capitol Hill.

Attorney General Designate Clears Senate Panel Compiled by Our Stall From Dispatches

WASHINGTON - Janet Reno won unanimous approval on Wednesday from the Senate Judiciary Committee to become the first woman attorney general, after hearings that one lawmaker called "a veritable lovefest."

The panel's action sent her nomination toward a vote in the full Senate, where she is expected to win easy confirmation and complete President Bill Clin-ton's cabinet. The committee chairman. Senator Joseph R. Biden Jr., Democrat of Delaware, said he

hoped the vote could take place by week's end. "I think from the time Ms. Reno is sworn in that the American people will know that they do have a friend, that they do have an advocate, that they really do have a people's counsel." Senator Edward M. Kennedy, Democrat of Massachusetts, said just before the panel vote. The vote was 18 to 0.

Miss Reno. 54, the chief prosecutor in Miami for the past 15 years, had cautiously woven her way through two days of questioning that revealed more about the hreadth of the Justice Department's mandate than about her.

She fielded questions on subjects ranging from international terrorism to the tax system on Indian tribal lands, promising to work with committee members on issues of concern hut saying she needed to learn more.

On Wednesday, she assured lawmakers that despite her opposition to capital punishment she recognized the duty of prosecutors to seek the death penalty for killers who are "totally contemptuous of human life."

"If the law requires it, if the procedure is right, you ask for it," she said Wednesday, her second day of testimony before the committee.

Senator Orrin G. Hatch of Litah, the committee's top Republican, said that it was possible the full Senate could confirm Miss Reno this week. "We need her in there," he said.

Republicans joined Democrats in lambasting a

lobbyist and conservative activist who raised unsubstantiated rumors that Miss Reno. a Dade County. Florida, prosecutor, had been stopped on suspicion of driving under the influence of alcohol hut never arrested. Mr. Hatch said Miss Reno had been vic-

timized by a "hate-mongering campaign." "We found no foundation for any of the accusations that were made against you," Mr. Biden told Miss Reno.

It was a sharp switch from the agony surrounding the nomination of Zoë Baird, an insurance compalawyer, which was withdrawn after disclosure that she illegally employed undocumented aliens as domestic workers and failed to pay Social Security taxes for them.

Democrats also were concerned when Mr. Clinton hacked off plans to nominate U.S. District Judge Kimha Wood, who also had hired an illegal

atien as a namy for her votingsters, even though ludge Wood had broken no laws. In testimony on Tuesday, Miss Reno said that protracted delays in meting out the death penalty made a "mockery of the justice system." and pledged to help devise anti-crime legislation that would speed executions by cutting back on the appeal nghts of death-row inmates.

Miss Reno's statements raised concerns among opponents of the death penalty that she might back harsh anti-crime legislation that would deprive de-fendants of their rights to raise legitimate constitutional issues to the federal courts.

"I would have liked to have heard something about the rights of defendants that have been de-nied," said Richard Dieter, executive director of the Death Penalty Information Center.

Miss Reno also realfirmed her support for the socalled Brady bill, which would require a waiting period before the purchase of handguns. She said she might even go further, noting that in Florida she had urged testing of would-be handgun purchasers to determine whether they knew how to use the weapon safely. (AP. 11P)

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Senator David L. Boren, Democrat of Oklahoma, on the pressure he's getting from constituents who favor Mr. Clinton's economic plan: "What's really fueling the president's support among people is not any new spending programs, but the promise of deficit reduc-(LAT)

Away From Politics

• The governor of Georgia, Zell Miller, said that he was giving up his fight to remove the Confederate battle emblem from the state's flag because the effort was awakening extremist feelings and detracting from other legislative goals. The governor said that while his effort to climinate the emblem had prompted national and international attention the debate over it had stalled other legislation, ranging from changes in the welfare program to health-care revisions.

• Organizers of a neighborhood St. Patrick's Day parade in Chicago have refused to allow participation by a float that would have honored five white police officers who have been disciplined for involvement in mistreating hlacks. Jon Dineen, president of the Fraternal Order of Police, the union that wanted to sponsor the float, ability to the decision and said taxe was not a factor. objected to the decision and said race was not a factor.

objected to the decision and said race was not a factor.
A congressional report says the Energy Department was not prepared to protect tens of thousands of workers who will soon embark on a 30-year cleanup of the department's vast nuclear weapons production complex. The Office of Technology Assessment, an analytical arm of Congress, said in a report that protection of workers in environmental restoration projects of any kind is often inademark the Energy Department, because of the way it is inadequate, but that the Energy Department, because of the way it is organized, may do worse than private polluters in cleaning up.

· Senator Barbara Mikulski has called for a congressional inquiry • Senaror Barnara Mikusski has called for a congressional inquiry into whether sexual harassment is widespread at the Department of Veterans Affairs 171 hospitals. The Maryland Democrat proposed the investigation to follow up a report in January hy the VA's inspector general that alleged a pattern of sexual harassment by high-level officials over 10 years at the VA's Atlanta facility.

• The Roman Catholic archbishop of Santa Fe, New Mexico, ac-knowledged that he had had some kind of relationship with three young women who have told of sexual encounters with him in television interviews. Arcbbishop Robert F. Sanchez, secretary of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops since 1991, in a statement expressed regret for his actions but did not specify what they were.

• The New York City Health Department adopted strict regulations for detaining tuberculosis parients who fail to complete treatment on their own, a move that could require the confinement of patients for more than a year. The regulations are intended to curb the spread of tuberculosis and the deadly drug-resistant strains of the disease that develop in patients who repeatedly start and stop treatment. AP, NYT

of low-income tenants, the report said inadequate record-keeping had led to widespread payment er-rors and "brought chaos to the budgeting process" because estimates of funding needs are "off by as much as \$1 billion in either direction."

The report also suggested that the housing agency had lost control over public housing modernization and rehabilitation, and it cited studies recommending that the de-partment spend \$5 billion per yearto clean up the backlog. This is \$1.9 billion more than the agency is spending now on a program agued by mismanagement. "Critical management failures

occur throughout the agency and undercut the department's ability to implement and execute many of its most fundamental programs." the report read.

The report, a copy of which was examined by The Washington Post, was prepared by the Housing and Urhan Development transition team for the confidential use of Mr.

Clinton and Mr. Cisneros. While the report refers several times to corruption and influencepeddling that plagued the depart-ment throughout the 1980s and hlossomed into scandal in 1989, it. pointed out that the team was more concerned with "a far more insidious and damaging problem: a long-term pattern of fundamental systemic mismanagement."

The report praised the Bush ad ministration secretary. Jack F. Kemp, for his cooperation during the transition and drew heavily for its findings on housing department reports filed, and in many cases made public, during the Kemp

Margery Austin Turner, director of the Urban Institute's Housing Research Program, said that al-though Presidents Ronald Reagan and George Bush were "responsible for a lot of neglect," the administrative and management problems "existed long before they got here."

Texas Cultists Keep Playing for Time

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

WACO. Texas - The religious cult holed up in a fornified com-on their attempts to gain direct pound since a shoot-out last week access to the media." sought again Wednesday to bypass federal negotiators by displaying a ductive," he said. banner calling for help.

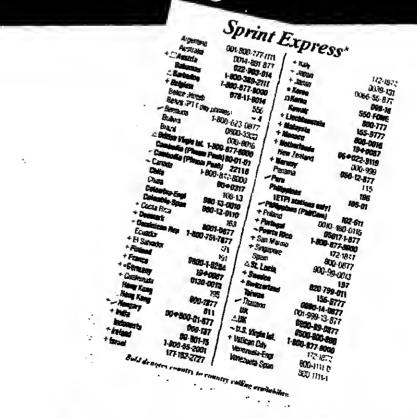
"Send in CFA & Don Stewart," Tread a banner that was hung out at the Branch Davidian sect comread a definite mail was using out is pound east of Waco and arrest the pound four-story watchtower. It referred cult leader David Koresh on weapto a citizens group. On Tuesday, cult members hung out a hand-cult members hung out a handprinted hanner saying, "God Help Us We Want the Press." were killed.

Ricks, complained that the banners that the group's leader wanted to diverted the negotiations "from engage them in an apocalyptic trying to secure release to focusing round of combat.

At a news briefing, Mr. Ricks said that Mr. Koresh was actually "These efforts are counterproalternating between making bellicose threats and offering to work The standoff began Feb. 28 out a peaceful solution. when federal agents tried to search

As has often been the case throughout this ordeal, the comments at the news briefing seemed to be directed at least as much at

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Is We Want the rises. An FBI spokesman, Bob A. sought to soften earlier statements who came to hear them. (AP, NYT)

Mr. Koresh, who authorities believe has been watching television On Tuesday, federal officials much of the day, as at the reporters THURSDAY, MARCH 11, 1993

Herald Eribune.

High Drama in Moscow

That long-running Russian cliffhanger, the Perils of Boris Yelusin, resumes in Moscow on Wednesday. Once again the anti-Communist hero, President Yeltsin, is fighting for political survival against a hostile. holdover Congress of People's Deputies. elected in the waning days of the Soviet Union and packed with former Communist apparatchiks

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Despite the trappings of melodrama, extremely serious issues are at stake. Mr. Yelt-sin claims that his own political future and the future of reform are one and the same. Congressional leaders insist they represent a more grass-roots version of reform and that the president's real aim is personal dictatorship. His authoritarian tendencies are undeniable, but the Yeltsin version of the present political stakes is far closer to the mark.

Washington would be foolish to get itself enmeshed in the fine details of Moscow political maneuvering. But that shouldn't preclude helping a friendly government build public support with a unely, targeted infusion of foreign aid.

The immediate quarrel between Mr. Yeltsin and his congressional opponents is constitutional. Despite all the political upheavals in Russia since the failed hard-line coup of August 1991, the old, Soviet-era coastitution remains officially in force. It gives the congress, not the president, ultimate authority. The congress has used that power to purge reform ministers and to encourage the central bank to print excess rubles, fueling disastrous hyperinflation. Mr. Yeltsin contends that a reallocation of authority is now imperative. But congressional leaders oppose his request to legislate a new power-sharing formula, leading the ent to threaten unspecified "radical action" to resolve the crisis. That could inc'ude going ahead with a scheduled constitu-tional referendum, set to take place right after the Clinton-Yelisin summit meeting April 3-4 in Vancouver. British Columbia. President Bill Clinton responded with an appropriate sense of urgency Tuesday when

he and President François Mitterrand of France called for an emergency meeting of the Group of Seven industrialized democra-cies to speed aid to Russia. But that approach depends on convincing Japan and other reluctant participants.

Meanwhile Washington can move on its own to put together a fast-flowing hilateral package of several hundred million dollars aimed at immediate political trouble spots. For example, the United States corld help fund an unemployment insurance program to soften the social impact of bankruptcies. It could help with job retraining for demobilized military personnel. Or it could fund a credit scheme to help

small farmers adjust to market conditions. With the overall future of reform still

uncertain, some of this new aid might be offset by continued capital flight. That is why it still makes sense to link long term multilateral aid packages to specific progress in economic reform. But the positive signals that Washington could send with a quick, politically targeted program are amply worth the financial risk.

Successful Russian reform would mean a major shift of resources from military to civilian use and would make it far less likely that Moscow would return to foreign policy adventurism. That could save U.S. taxpayers at least \$100 billion a year in lower defense spending. Advancing one-half of 1 percent of that amount now to help keep reform afloat seems an eminently prudent bet. -THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Players in the Debate

President Bill Clinton's insistence that his critics come up with budget alternatives of their own is reasonable. But congressional Republicans are right about one thing: Mr. Clinton's stance is also a very smart political move. For as long as the Republicans don't come up with a program. Mr. Clinton's bud-get proposals gain in public credibility. And as soon as the Republicans come up with a plan, they will give the administration and the Democrats something to shoot at.

But the Republicans should come up with proposals anyway. The country could use an honest debate on how big government should be, what it should do and how much the people are willing to pay for it. In last year's campaign, voters proved that they are willing to give sustained attention to serious political issues. Americans really do seem to be in a mood for something other than simmicks, blame and cheap rhetoric.

For that reason, clear alternative Republican proposals would be not only good government but good politics. Up to now, Mr. Clinton has dominated the public debate. The Republicans have looked mosily like ineffectual carpers whining on the sidelines. As soon as they offer specifics, they will be Clinton and Ross PeroL. players in the debate.

There will probably be many Republican alternatives. Representative John Kasich, the ranking Republican on the House Budget Committee, seems determined to come up with a whole budget package of his own. From the sound of it, it could be a radical document aimed at big cuts in spending. In the Senate, the game is more complicated, partly because Senate rules make it easier for the minority party to offer amendments. There is an outside chance that with conservative Democratic votes, at least some Republican proposals could get through. In any event, the Republicans would like to craft some popular amendments so that Democrate votes against them could be used as fodder in 30-second television commercials. Will Senate Republicans do more than that? Senator Pete Domenici, the Republi-

can budget houcho, says he could go in a number of directions. He might offer a whole budget or simply offer a series of anti-tax, ann-spending amendments that would give the country a sense of the Republicans' drift. In fact, the less specific Republicans are, the more the budget debate will be carried out on the airwayes as an argument between Mr.

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

Balkans: A Narrow Settlement Won't Last

OPINION

N EW YORK — Although the all-important means and concrete steps are only hegin-ning to be addressed, the Clinton administration has already made three crucial foreign

policy decisions. It will seek as far as it can to support the Russian reform movement led by President Boris Yeltsin, including a demonstrative effort to in-volve Moscow as a key partner in European security, especially in the Yugoslav crisis. It ac-cepts that the war in Bosnia and the threat to the region is a strategic interest of the United States and the fore the American must be activity. and therefore that America must be actively engaged in pressing for a solution. It wants in be sure of an allied coalition on these problems and will take the lead but will not go it alone.

will take the lead but will not go it anote. This emerged in numerous conversations with senior Washington officials and diplomats at the United Nations. No doubt President Bill Clinton will continue taking care to show the American people that the home front is his top priority. But the question of whether foreign affairs should also get urgent attention has been resolved. How to go about it, how to reach an overarching

concept of America's role in what is recognized as a new era with many dangers is being approached more cautiously. There is still essentially a piecemeal approach a sense of facing a bewildering jumble of crises and therefore a reluctance to propose initiatives for the long term.

But that is what is needed now. The post-Cold War era is not so different from the post-World War II era in the sense that a whole new start is required, but this time there was no planning. And it is more difficult, because the enemy is a faceless, diffuse threat, without front lines. It challenges the old principles of self-determination, national sovereignty, the acceptable use of power. The enemy is disorder, but status quo is not

and cannot be the defense. The world has changed at a dizzying speed, and will continue to change ever more rapidly. Politics remains terri-torial, national. Economics and technology are increasingly global. The tug of war between the two cannot last. One or the other will overwhelm. producing raw new hostilities which reject rational solution, or new compromises and adjust-

ments to everybody's ultimate advantage. The Balkans are a prime example. On a regional scale, they are acting out this confrontation, at a

By Flora Lewis

level of cruelty and bestiality that is not new in history but that Europe thought it had outgrown. It is not only cynical but stupid to say as many do, also in high places: "Oh well, what do you expect. It's the Balkans." As president, George Bush said that these people have been killing each other for centuries so there was no reason for the United States to feel a responsibility to be involved.

That is not even true. Like many other areas, they have had hrutal wars, and they have had periods of beneficial amity and cooperation. As President Kiro Gligorov of Macedonia told me recently, "We never went through the 19th centu-ry period of state formation that other parts of rope did. We have to catch up."

But catching up means either repeating devas-tating wars or leaping forward to a different idea of state relations than the 19th century provided in spark the borrors of the 20th, an idea embodied in Jean Monnet's Common Market which made regional cooperation so enormously attractive that war between members became unthinkable.

All Balkan economies have been hurt by the wars in former Yugoslavia, though as usual in wars some individuals have profited enormously from smuggling and black market dealing. Yugo-slavia had just launched a promising reform when emotional, nationalist politics triumphed and the break-up came in 1991.

I am not proposing, at this stage, some version of a Balkan Common Market. But I am convinced that there is no solution to the tragedy except on the basis of a regional package. As the war moved to Bosnia once Croatia was temporarily calmed, it will move to Kosovo and Macedonia and beyond if a purely Bosnian cease-fire is achieved, though bound to be temporary.

Some argue that the fighting must be stopped first, and then taggling can begin about the future. I am convinced that the opposite is true. There must be a context, a large package

omising future benefits for all, if the fighting is to be definitively ended. The two goals must be pursued simultaneously, including all countries concerned with the Balkans, Greece, Turkey, Romania, Bulgaria, Russia, the European Community and the United States, with the idea of

By Dimitri K. Simes

moving the region forward, into the mainstream world, not backward to where it has been stag-

nating and brewing eruptions. The key issues are security and development. On security, there could be a great conference like the 19th century Berlin conference which drew lines limiting power confrontation in Afri-ca. or, more feasible, a closely interwoven net of hilateral security treaties, already coming to focus, with outside guarantees. That means the United States, Russia and Europe.

On economic issues, a functional approach is On economic issues, a functional approach is wisest, looking to transportation, communica-tions, trade, but not yet a Monnet-type institu-don. The promise of eventual inclusion in the European Community would be a powerful lure. There won't be any little settlement that can endure. The Clinton people should lift their sights and propose, within the decisions already words an ambidiant more out of the oast and into made, an amhidous move out of the past and into the new century, as they are trying for the United States. If they don't, it won't happen.

D Flora Lewis.

ment. No peripheral causes should be allowed to divert U.S. attention from that fundamental issue.

would likely die in Congress. Mr. Clinton should remember that

rationale are a recipe for disaster. There are no perfect options. But a compromise is still possible -- giving Muslims sovereignty in return for border adjustments. Land in ex-change for independence and peace

should stick with the Vance-Owen plan dividing Bosnia into enclaves. This would not offer a lasting ar-rangement, but it would alleviate the

suffering and localize the conflict. would still be bet

rights commission; and the West can hardly bomb Iraq into accepting hu-

way of persuading not just lraq, but other Third World governments, that

sustained burnan rights fact-finding

is a humanitarian accessity, not a

punishment. They could start by in-

The human rights commission has

decided to appoint an investigator on

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Rights Law Group. He contributed this

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The VOA Is a Voice **Too Many**

الدينة: المتناسية المغاريون بسارة الدر

By William Haff

PARIS - In the controversy over America's international broad-L America's international broad-casting, the serious question not yet posed is this one: Why not close down the Voice of America? Or to be more realistic, why not cut it back to help make the budget savings sought by the Clinton administration?

The proposal carrently before the ministration is to consolidate all foreign broadcasting under the U.S. Information Agency, merging Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty in the VOA. This would mean an effec-tive end to RFE/RL, the Americansponsored stations successfully and effectively broadcasting to Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union.

I must declare a connection here, if not an interest. For four years in the 1950s I worked for the Free Europe Committee, the supervising organiza-tion of RFE. (The entire operation was under CIA control then, although in was transferred to the State Department in 1971, and then to the indepen-dent U.S. Board for International Broadcasting.) That was shortly after the Hungarian revolution of 1956, when RFE had a not wholly undeserved reputation for recidessness, and Radio Liberty for a reactionary and fairly mindless anti-community

Matters were not helped by the fact that the American supervisors were themselves of various heatedly held opinions, and terribly handi-capped by their lack of the languages capped by their lack of the languages in which the broadcasts were going out (meaning that they really knew what was being said only after it was said). They also suffered from a con-siderable if understandable inno-cence of emigré politics. Things later improved as a new gen-cation of with horseferers we

eration of cule broadcasters took command of the newsrooms and the opportunities for collecting information in Eastern Europe and the U.S.S.R. vastly increased. Virtually everyone now recognizes that the stations have become a force of immense and highly constructive influence in the allairs of Balkan and Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union.

They have accomplished this not by broadcasting what the American government thinks, but by making themselves an alternative domestic radio system throughout Eastern Eu-rope and the former U.S.S.R. They have become a set of "national" radio stations, dealing in local terms with the problems of each of the regions to

which they broadcast. in some of these countries new and democratic radio and press services pow function, and the need for the American-sponsored stations is diminished. But this certainly is not. true everywhere, and cannot be guaranteed to remain the case in any one of the new but fragile political societies which have emerged from the wreckage of the Soviet system. As the eminent Polish poet Czeslaw Milosz wrote recently in support of RFE/RL (IHT, March 4), "Large

WASHINGTON - The Clinton administration should resist pressures to abandon the pretense of U.S. evenhandedness in Bosnia. Intervention in the war would advance no U.S. interest. It would be morally dubious and could damage other, key national Outrage over a Serbian offensive in Bosnia is not a substitute for eval-

uation of the facts on the ground and how they relate to U.S. interests. It is hard to see why the situation should

be of great geostrategic importance. The Balkans are no longer the "powder keg of Europe," at the inter-section of three defunct empires --Austro-Hungarian, Russian and Ottoman. Islamic states are unhappy with the suffering of Muslims in Bos-nia. But they have neither the inclination nor the ability for serious military involvement. Nor is there much risk of Muslim economic retaliation -- say, an oil embargo, Bosnia seems to be more of an emotional issue to American pundits than to politicians

security priorities.

automatically dictate U.S. inaction. world to impose special punish-American leadership was indis-ment on Serbia while, for instance, American leadership was indispensable in putting together the Gulf War coalition. But unlike the ignoring the recent Croatian offen-Iraqi occupation of Kuwait, the conflict in Bosnia is more in the mold of a civil war than of foreign one evident in that case.

aggression. No nation outside the ex-Yugoslav borders fears that it may become the Serbs' next victim. Bosnia has never been a U.S. ally. And there is no oil there. It is hard to justify American in-

tervention on moral as well as geopolitical grounds.

All sides in the war have committed atrocities, although the Serbs have committed more than others, partly because their military advances gave them opportunities.

that the Serbian army stay out of the confrontation, the fighting was assigned to the ill-disciplined Serbian militia in Bosnia, thereby increasing the likelihood for abuses. o we really b

are serious. One winner is the Serbian president, Slobodan Milosevic, who exploits the perception among his countrymen that the world has turned against them. Serbia has a vigorous opposition, and a more balanced Western approach would

give the moderates a chance. Conversely, attacks against Serbia run the risk that the Serbs would close ranks behind their hard-line leadership, How much would the Because of Western insistence United States be prepared to esca-. late hostilities in that case?

Or, as in Lebanon, would America cut its losses and run, damaging its credibility in the process? Also, disciplining Serbia may amage the U.S. ability to address a

with it, he would be subjected to a nationalist ouslaught. Yet if he dared to distance himself from America on Serbina sanctions, and to Russia

arrogance of power coupled with false moralism and a lack of strategic

was the 19th-century European for-mula for handling Ballcar crises. If this is too bold for Clinton, be

sive that violated UN-sponsored agreements requires a more unambiguous moral imperative than the The costs of an and-Serhian drift

A U.S.-directed punishment of Serbia would be a blow to Russian democrats. If Mr. Yeltsin cooperated



Romania's Dark Cloak

Old habits die hard in Romania, whose Communist regime was the most autocratic in Eastern Europe until its violent demise in 1989. Under Nicolae Ceaucescu, Romanians were forbidden to own typewriters without a police permit. That rule has gone. but not the mentality it mirrored.

Though present-day Romania is supposedly more "democratic," members of the Assembly of Depudes still vote in secret. And any journalist whose reports are deemed "incorrect" may lose the right to attend parliament and may also be required to publish a retraction written by the assembly's president.

So discovered a startled American lawyer. Susan Benda, who recently visited Bucharest for the International Human Rights Law

Group, Romanians expressed astonishment when she told them that American schoolchildren routinely visit Congress. It is a feat for a Romanian merely to get a visitor's pass. Draft bills cannot be scrutinized; the agenda is secret. When public-interest advocates tried to exercise their rights of petition, a deputy accused them of hreaking the law. Sometime this month pro-democracy deputies plan to force a vote on new rules

meant to guarantee press access and to end secret voting. Their victory would send a needed message to President Ion Iliescu, who tends to equate democracy only with elections. But there can be no real accountability if voters do not know how their representatives vote.

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Other Comment

Their Rise Is Germany's Loss

The triumph of the right-wing Republican Party in the Hesse state elections on Sunday] damages the image of the federal republic. The export sector, on which so many jobs depend. is already facing difficulties and will find it even harder to compete in foreign markets after the success of the Republicans. Germany could become less attractive as an investment location. But not all who voted Republican are xenophobic, right-wing radicals.

- Handelsblatt (Frankfurt).

The Rapes in Bosnia

Protest against the Catholic Church's position on Bosnian women who were raped by Serbs gives no sign of subsiding. The women of Florence ask, with good reason, that the rapes in Bosnia be considered true war crimes. In Florence the Movement for Life is ready to host a thousand Bosnian rape victims, with their newborn and yet unborn children. It is a gesture of friendship inspired also by the desire to avert other abortions. One must remember that the pope de-fends absolute principles: the defense and

the affirmation of life, which is a gift of God. A person is no less a sacred value than life itself, and is, in the end, inseparable from it. We will not condemn those women who do not feel they can eliminate the fruit of their pregnancy, even if it is a poisoned fruit. But we cannot condemn the women who do not want to give up their offended dignity and who will not admit the memory of that intrusion of hate into their bodies. --- Il Giornale (Milan).

Letting the Other Guys Hang

Democrats in Congress are starting to figure that if they hang together they can let the Republicans hang themselves separately. The object of the exercise is to make the Republicans largely irrelevant to the economic reform process. So where does this leave Republicans? The short answer is nowhere, so long as Mr. Clinton does not stumble. Some Republicans are quite happy to be out of the ball game, throwing in rocks from the stands. But others want in on the action. It will be fascinating to see if dealmaker Clinton gives them an opening when he needs them.

- The Balsimore Sun

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Europeans are reluctant to support military options, except those internationally agreed on and endorsed by the principal combatants.

GENEVA - Preparations are well under way for the second

World Conference on Human Rights

Naturally, the fact that others are not eager to get involved does not

the administrative borders in the ex-Yugoslavia - set by Tito's Communist regime and based neither on For Washington to lead the Boris Yeltsin's democratic govern-

The UN Needs a Stronger Rights Presence Afield

By Iain Guest

more important issue: aid to Russia. the alternatives. The military presence in Somalia has already strained American re-

tested in Iraq. Max van der Stoel, the former Dutch minister who is

the rights commission's special rap-porteur on Iraq, has asked the body to deploy several teams of UN rights monitors in that country.

Mr. van der Stoel's experience is a

powerful argument for his proposal.

Last year he made one visit to the

notorious Abu Graib prison in Bagh-

dad and talked to several prisoners.

But he has not been able to follow up

and check on possible reprisals. The situation in Iraq is not improv-ing. Mr. van der Stoel has accused

Baghdad of using the draining of the

southern marshes to increase pres-

sure on the Shiites who live there. His

new report draws on official Iraqi

documents to describe a meticulously

planned terror campaign against the Kurds in the north before the UN

The Kurds and Shiites depend for

protection on about 256 UN guards, who watch over relief aid and whose

mandate expires March 31; on one safe haven in the north and on two "no-fly" zones that are increasingly

The argument for a permanent pres-

ence by human rights monitors in Iraq is hard to refute. But the proposal

faces two major obstacles. The first, of

course, comes from Iraq, which has

intervened in 1991.

resented in the region.

The writer is senior associate at the Carnegie Endowment for Internasources for foreign activism.

Yet, support is badly peeded for tional Peace. He contributed this comment to The New York Times.

cas of the Euro-Asiatic continent are a caldron of war, and a major wcapon in that spreading civil war is the dis-tortion of news." RFE/RL does its best to provide

an objective news service, and a detense of the values of democracy. pluralism and the negotiation of conflicts. It would, it seems to me, be madness to shut this down. As for the Voice of America, de-

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spite the efforts of many capable and devoted people, it has never been able to match the credibility of the BBC or, for that matter, of RFE/RL. Duc to the contradictory views of successive American administrations, det vagaries of its politically dominated direction and the pressures of Congress, it has never escaped partisan-ship and the taint of propaganda. Do we really need an expensive, publicfinanced, international news-gathering and broadcasting organization for so meager a result? In my view, VOA, if not ended,

xenophobia and racism. Whoever is chosen, European governments should shower him or her with invitashould at least be cut back to a modest service providing information about the United States, its policies and its internal affairs. To the extent that this tions. In the same spirit, the Clinton administration could invite the commission's working group on arbitrary detention to visit the Haitians at the service offers international news, it should do so by quoting correspon-dence and editorials in the U.S. press U.S. base at Guantánamo, Cuba, who have been accepted for U.S. refand by rebroadcasting the foreign re-ports of the American networks. It ugee status but are barred from entry Such initiatives would undermine should not attempt to provide an inde-Iraq's argument that the West's conpendent international news service. cern for with human rights is politi-cally motivated. The UN might even help Western governments out of some embarrassing and perplexing

Let the BBC do that -- which it does comprehensively and intelligently. Let the money the United States has to spend on international broadcasting go where it has proved to be effective, and where today it is needed more than ever, to the target audi-ences of RFE and Radio Liberty --

inside the caldron of wars. International Herald Tribune. D Los Angeles Times Syndicate.

no substitute for regular checks. Monitors can collect and in ret information over a period of time and in Vicana this June. As dialomats grope their way toward an agenda, they should strongly endorse the on-going United Nations effort to decan distinguish fact from propaganda. That is particularly important in a case like the former Yugoslavia, where the UN is collecting evidence on war crimes and where charges of ploy human rights field officers. The importance of field monitoring

has been driven home at the current session of the UN Human Rights Commission here. The commission remass rape require time to investigate. Over the last year, the UN has deployed monitors in six nations synlies on investigators, known as rapporonymous with violence: Cambodia. El Salvador, South Africa, Guatemateurs, to cover selected repressive goveraments. But no matter how good la, Yugoslavia and Haiti. In Guatemala, a Umguayan judge their reports - and some have been good indeed - it is clear that they cannot do the job alone. is helping to monitor the return of refugees under a UN buman rights

Many have experienced the frustration of Yozo Yokota, a Japanese professor who visited Burma for the commission last year. Mr. Yokota was barred from seeing Daw Aung San Sun Kyi, the Nobel Peace Prize winner who is under house arrest. He did visit lusein prison in Rangoon, where he found fresh paint but no political prisoners.

Belt-Tightening All Around When it comes to President Clinton's economic plan, the rich appear to be little different from lane and los burther in the rich appear

to be little different from Jane and Joe Paycheck: They like most of what they see, they're willing to sacrifice — and they're even more willing than other Americans to pay higher taxes to help cut the deficit, according to a Washington Post-ABC News Poll.

What's this? The masses aren't dividing up into economic classes spoiling for a fight over Mr. Clinton's plans to pinch the rich to help pay for his conomic plan? Just the opposite appears to be happening. In question after question, the poll found only trivial difference

between the attitudes of Americans with household incomes of \$75,000

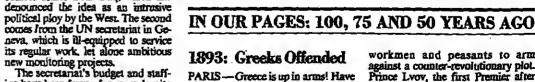
and the population as a whole. Overall, 59 percent of those interviewed in the Post-ABC News poll

said they approved of Mr. Clinton's proposals for the economy. Among those with honsehold incomes of \$75,000 or more, 53 percent approved. And an even larger majority of those affluent respondents — 56 percent — said that Mr. Clinton's plan will help the economy, compared to 63 percent of the country as a whole. Equally large majorities of the rich (56 percent) and non-rich (58 percent) also said that the plan will rich (56 percent) and non-rich (58 percent) also said that the plan will reduce the deficit. (One caveat: The top household income category in the poll is \$75,000 or more, a group that makes up about 9 percent of the population. Thus, this analysis is limited by the real potential that the attitudes of those earning between \$75,000 and, say, \$150,000 may differ

from those of the spectacularly rich.) Three out of four wealther respondents surveyed said that Mr. Clinton's economic proposal will hurt them financially. But they also expect that the pain will be bearable: Nearly two in three said his plan will only hurt a little hit.

But far from opposing tax hikes, wealthier Americans were more likely than their less-affluent brethren to believe that a tax increase is necessary to reduce the budget deficit. According to the survey, 65 percent of those carning \$75,000 or more said it was necessary to raise taxes, compared to 56 percent of all those questioned in the late-February poll.

- Richard Morin, director of polling for The Washington Post.



ing have been frozen for years despite a dizzying increase in work. Aides who help investigators compete for a single fax machine, squat in offices that belong to other departments and work on demeaning short-term contracts. Both the crisis of resources and the resistance of governments must be addressed if the trend toward rights monitoring is to be sustained Activists plan to lobby at June's world conference for a major injection of funds and for the secretariat to be upgraded. But they will have to should remember that the entire UN system is underfunded - not least

\$574 million in back payments. Is there anything that can convince the Iraqi government to cooperate? Probably not if, as Mr. van der Stoel implies, Iraq is beat on further repression. The options seem limited. Iraq probably dislikes the Security Council more than the UN's human

because 92 governments still owe the

PARIS-Greece is up in arms! Have the Persians crossed the Pass of Ther-mopylae, or is the Turkish fleet at Navarin? Neither. A French playwright has produced a play based on Les Rois des Montagnes, a successful novel by Edmond Abour. The anthor during his youth spent some years in Greece and did not omit to banter the

customs of the Greeks. When the novel was published in 1800, the Greeks vowed vengeance. Since then France has repeatedly shown her sympathy for Greece, and a few jokes at the Theatre would in no wise affect her feeling. The Greeks take too seriously a view of their title as descendants of Miltiades and Pericles. It is well to venerate one's ancestors, but

1918: A Russian Plot

possible to render oneself ridiculous.

PETROGRAD - The Pravda, the Bolshevist organ, today [March 10] publishes a sensational appeal to

workmen and peasants to arm against a counter-revolutionary plot. Prince Lvov, the first Premier after the revolution, is alleged to have organized a new Government in the Far East, aided by Japan. A telegram from Irkutsk says that Prince Lvov's Government is in Peking, where he is awaiting the Japanese Anny's invasion of Vladivostok in order to enter Siberia with the troops.

1943: Women in Uniform

WASHINGTON - From our New York edition:] Spokesmen for the na-don's 8,000 women physicians ar-gued vigorously today [March 10] in favor of the commissioning of eligible women doctors in the Medical Corps ¥ of the Army, asking that the individ-ual's medical ability, instead of sex, be the criterion for admission. This appeal was presented to a subcom-mittee of the House Military Affairs Committee conducting hearings on two bills which would provide for the commissioning of women doctors.

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The UN's newfound enthusiasm for human rights fieldwork is being

technical assistance project. Scores of human rights field officers are working in El Salvador and Cambodis as part of Security Council peacekeeping operations. Aides to Secretary-General Butros Butros Ghali negotiated the agreements that put teams in South Africs and Haiti.

These hurried, controlled visits are

OPINION

Old Buzzwords, Old Snags For Modern 'Rationality'

By E. J. Dionne Jr.

WASHINGTON -- The news these days brings to mind one of the great headlines of British tabloid history: "Have We All Gone Bloody Mad?" In Texas, followers of a fanatical reli-gious cult kill four federal agents, and their leader holds the government's forces at bay for more than a week.

In New York, a terrorist or terrorists bomb the World Trade Center, and then one suspect gets caught, apparently because be just couldn't bear losing his deposit on a rental truck. And then there are the continuing disasters, the rape and murder in the former Yugoslavia, and the rising hostility between Hindus and Muslims in man-Muslims in India, with mosque

Thinking of ourselves as cool, rational, modern (or postmodern) people. most of us look at this religious fanaticism and tribalism with a certain horrified superiority. We ask: How can they do things like this? There might be nothing wrong with this if we confined our

What is going on in India or in the former Yugoslavia cannot be explained as mere blasts from the past.

mild arrogance to conversations with friends. The problems lie in how we define "them," and in the false conclu-sions we draw about the causes of tribal and religious violence

Who is them? David Koresh appears sufficiently deranged that there should be no danger of mixing him up with gardenvariety religious figures. Yet words like fanatics and cults are thrown around as if all forms of religious commitment.

And the word fanatics doesn't help much either. What do we make of those who devote themselves to the poor, the outcast? The behavior of these good people is surely not conventional, their 'devotion something other than -- may-be better than -- "normal." At what point does departure from the norm make someone a fanatic?

As for followers of Islam, phrases like Muslim militants and Islamic terrorists appear so often that it is as if our word processors were programmed to produce only such pairs. Yet in Bosnia, it is Muslims who are currently the main vicums of terror, wrought by people who are at least nominally Christian,

Beyond Mr. Koresh and terrorism, there is the larger problem of explaining how religion and ethnicity get politicized. Much of our talk suggests that what's going on has nothing to do with the modern world and is simply a throwback to ancient irrationalities.

But what is going on in India or in the former Yugoslavia cannot be explained as mere hlasts from the past. In an article in the current New Republic, Susanne Hober Rudolph and Lloyd I. Rudolph contend that the upsurge of had feeling hetween Muslims and Hindus in India has far more to do with today's conflicts over economics, poli-tics and status than with things that happened 500 or 1,000 years ago.

They assert that rapid economic growth in India has left all sorts of people near the top uneasy about where they stand in society and fearful that some previously disadvantaged groups, including both Muslims and lower-caste Hindus, might pass them. The Rudolphs also note that the revival of Hindu nationalism is partly the creation of modem mass media. Yes, as political ideology recedes, "the politics of identity and community, or religion, ethnicity and gender" will become more important. But the Rudolphs add; "Which identities become relevant for politics is not predetermined by some primordial ancientness. They are crafted in benign and malignant ways in print and dectronic media, in textbooks and advertis-

ing" and in the strategies of modero political campaigns. We all can pick and choose from

among a variety of identities to get what we want. In some circumstances, large numbers of people see the great-est gain in organizing themselves immigrants will assimilate as citizens. around race, as in South Africa and, This does not mean they must abandon sometimes, in the United States: in all cherished vestiges of their origins, other circumstances around religion, as . New cultural outlooks, foods and greater in India, and in still others around cosmopolitanism surely enrich the coungender, as in the battle for jobs in the try. But diverse ways of structuring socilinton administration.

All these choices are perfectly rational. There is thus nothing to be gained by arguing that if only groups now engaged in ancient or identity-based struggles suddenly embraced modernity and its rationality, everything would he O.K. The Serbians' cool calculation that the use of violence would expand their power has so far proven correct. Their behavior may be barbarous, but it is not "irrational" and is thoroughly

up to date. Of all people, we Americans should understand racial, ethnic and religious tensions. We have experienced our share of violence over the years. To the extent that we have kept ethnocentrism and religious bigotry in hand, it is not because we are so cool, rational and

modern, It is because over generations, we have cultivated -- however imperfectly - the rules and habits of democracy and tolerance.

Our reaction to the news should therefore be marked not by arrogance but by gratitude, not by self-congratulation but by a vigilant awareness that even ratiopality, when unhinged from worthy values, can lead us down bloody roads. The Washington Post.



A Pox on Hyphenation

At a time when seemingly well-meaning Americans are pushing agendas for ethnic rights and political correctness, we must maintain the ideal that all arriving This does not mean they must abandon ety. dealing with state institutions and

exercising power do not. Assaults on the delicate civic commu nity risk creating an Ottoman-like society in which each ethnic community jockeys truculently for influence. Ethnic attachments frequently lead to the development of rooted ethnic politics and the dependence and favor-seeking that go with it. This is a virus that endangers the health of the body politic,

Admittedly, the melting pot never worked as well as myth would indicate; nonetheless, it wrought miracles. Let's keep it stoked up and boil away all the ugly hyphens we are now inserting between Americans. ROBERT F. ILLING.

Porto, Portugal.

The Left Has No Monopoly

Regarding "This 'Must Do' President Doth Propose Too Much" (Opinion, March 4): George Will states, "A rough measure of an administration's leaning to the left is its reluctance to recognize limits on its competence or its claim on the econo-

my's resources." By this absurd and sim-plistic standard, the Nixon, Reagan and-

Bush administrations, notoriously un-willing to acknowledge constitutional limits on their foreign endeavors and, the latter two presidents, eagerly willing to make the greatest claims on the nation's economic resources in U.S. history, must stand as two of the unholiest of American lefusts.

DAVID K. SMITH.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Financing to Follow

Reparding "Calling a Tail a Leg: A Tax-Rise Name Game" (Opinion, Feb. 23) by William Safare:

If you, Mr. Safire, had a member of your family uninsured you would not rest until he or she got insurance. President Bill Clinton has 37 million members of his family uninsured, so he will not rest until they get insured. When General de Gaulle set out an

important national goal and his advisers opposed it, for economic and budgetary reasons, he used to say, so the legend goes, "l'intendance suivra" - the supply train will follow. It did follow, and de Gaulle transformed France into a world

political and economic power.

MICHEL BROCHETAIN.

Taxes and Recessions

If I may permit myself, as an old (75 years) hand, to give President Clinton some advice: In my experience tax increases grow recessions, not economies,

Intervention in Bosnia

Regarding "For a NATO-Russian UN tervention to End the War in Bosnia" (Opinion, Feb. 26) by Jane M. O. Sharp and Vladimir Baronovsky:

Maximum coordination between the West and Russia in Bosnia is a laudable idea, not least to forestall an overtly pro-Serbian Russian policy from emerging. But is it realistic? There is no guarantee that NATO-Russian cooperation will appease widespread pro-Serbian senti-ments in Russia, and more dangerously, among any future Russian ground forces in Bosnia

Yet il Russia is not given a leading role militarily the strategy will backfire and pro-Serbian forces in Russia will have stronger arguments for accusing Boris Yeltsin of being a pawn of the West. Ultimately, military intervention in

Bosuia must be judged on its own merits and feasibility, not as a means of improving Western-Russian cooperation mutual confidence-building or the selfesteem of the Russian Army.

There would be no surer way of ruining the future prospects for Russia's current liberal-internationalist policy than to entangle it is an unsustainable military intervention in Bosnia. Better to gain Russian participation in expanded humanitarian operations which work to relieve the suffering of the civilian victims in Bosnia.

THOMAS HALVERSON. ELAINE HOLOBOFF. London

Explaining Serbia

Rape as Military Policy: Scars for Life, and Beyond

By Anna Quindlen

N EW YORK - Women who have been raped will tell you that it often takes a long time to feel whole again. They will tell you how they took showers over and over, how they kept husbands and boyfriends at arm's length for months, how they circled the house as night fell, checking the locks and bolts. And some of them talk of feeling they bave lost something. A woman who was

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raped_told me once, "I feel like he opened this wound and I bleeded out my whole normal personality, like I was just a shell afterward." Certainly that is how some Bosnian

women feel. Perhaps that is how their larger community will appear in the years to come — a shell — after the systematic and brutal violation of so many women. How many have been carted off to camps to be raped repeatedly night after night? No one knows for sure. Thou-

toward Serbia most inequitable. In both world wars the Serbs fought valiantly on the side of justice and freedom. This buman loss, in both instances, at the hands of the Croatlans and Germans was enormous. Serbia's current ambition is to create conditions that will avert a recurrence.

JOHN F. TRIPP. Sydney. Amused, Yes, but Refined?

Regarding "In the Face of Gascoigne's Antics, Refined Romans Are Not Amused" (Sports, Feb. 3) by Rob Hughes: So, Roman soccer funs ure not amused with Paul Gascoigne's vulgarity? What a joke. Having lived in Rome for four years, I happen to know that foul words roll off the tongues of Ro-mans like pleasantries. Most Romans are obnoxious, they don't know how to

drive, they have to be first in everything or they get hysterical and they've never learned how to wait in line. If you have the nerve to mention any

of this behavior they laugh. And now that most Italian women are having smaller families, the next generation will be more egocentric and spoiled yet! God belp us, and long live Paul Gascoigne.

VICKI SQUITIERI.

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sands? Tens of thousands? The numbers. vary, but they grow as surely as the bellies of those women impregnated by their enemies, their attackers. And that raises a guestion: is a partic-

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ularly suphisticated and brutal form of genocide going on in the former Yugo-slavia, which relies on the psychosexual destruction of those who would bear the next generation of Bosnian Muslims, so hated by the warring Serbs?

A few sketches suffice. A 10-year-old taken away every night to be raped by soldiers and returned every morning to her mother. A 17-year-old raped in the, garden of her home --- while her mother as assaulted beside her - and then taken to a camp where she was repeatedly raped, and became pregnant.

The women raped in front of children, husbands and fathers to heighten the humiliation. In hospitals, victims who stare silently but whose conditions suggest extraordinary genital trauma.

"They have been broken," says Feryal Gharahi, a board member of the international women's rights group Equality i Now, who recently visited the region.

Some of these women talk of suicide. or have been ostracized by their families. Many say the soldiers were ordered to: rape them, as though it was Serbian

military policy. My colleague John Burns wrote a chilling profile of one soldier. The young man spoke of the abandoned motel set up as a rape camp -- "good for raising the fighter's morale" is how he said commanders described what went on there — and of how they killed the omen afterward.

There were always more arriving: "It was never a problem. You just picked up a key and went to a room." Imagine hearing the key in the lock, again and again and again.

We women once liked to think that if we ran the world, there might be less emphasis on brute strength. The timidity of American policy seems ill-suited to such brutality,

It is time to reconsider U.S. military intervention, despite the seeming intractability of this no-win war. We should not want to contemplate yet another occasion on which a vulnerable people were exterminated and we Americans stared at the handwriting on the wall as though we were illiterate.

If husbands are never again able to embrace wives they know to have been violated, if women so violated recoil from sexual contact, if families reject daughters twice victimized, by violence and then by the strictures of a culture that esteems virginity - then It is possible that the rape policy will belp wipe out the Bosnian Muslims.

We will have witnessed the genocide without even recognizing it, the killing of something inside these women that guaranices the luture. The New York Times. .



GENERAL NEWS

BERN --- Swiss lawmakers elected a woman to the previously allmale cabinet Wednesday, a week after the defeat of a more controversial contender sparked a political crisis.

Ruth Dreifuss, 53, an economist and labor official from the Social Democratic Party, outpolled last week's unsuccessful candidate. Christiane Brunner, in a secret ballot by the Federal Assembly.

Mrs. Dreifuss takes a Federal Council seat vacated by the ailing foreign minister, René Felber, The council meets Thursday to assign cabinet posts.

Her election to the seven-member Federal Council, or cabinet, preserved a "inagic formula" in which the leftist Social Democrats have shared power since 1959 with three center-right parties that hold the materity of assembly sears.

She is the second female cabinet minister in Switzerland, where women did not receive the right to vote until 1971.

Her ejection, in the third round of balloting, capped a tense week of political maneuvering. Mrs. Dreifuss received 144 votes in the joint meeting of both houses of parliament, 48 more than the needed absolute majority. Thirty-eight menahers cast empty ballots.

Women in several cities sought

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TOPICS

The 'Ugly Duckling'

Loses Some Feathers

A confrontation with political

correctness has Danish literary

circles in a snit. In a recent trans-

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in the United States, the plitase

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pen; the swan in "The Ugly Duckling" no longer speaks "the

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Ruth Dreifuss, 53, was elected to the Swiss cabinet on Wednesday.

put pressure on politicians after forces, the Free Democrats and the Mrs. Brunner's defeat last week. Christian Democrats, earlier joined About 10,000 citizens demonstrat-Social Democratic leaders in deed outside parliament in Bern on fending the current shape of gov-Wednesday to call for a woman on Emment the Federal Council. Mrs. Brunner and Mrs. Dreifuss.

In her acceptance speech, Mrs. both self-described feminists, Dreifuss urged unity in the face of seemed to differ mainly in style. social and economic problems, in-cluding Switzerland's highest un-"I reassure people because I look litt'e plain," Mrs. Dreifuss said. employment since the 1930s. The two biggest center-right "I find that very shocking."

dren. It's happy stuff, but quite

dishonest, complains the transla-

tor. Glyn Jones, in an article in a

Danish literary magazine. Mr.

Jones, an Andersen expert at East

Anglia University in Norwich, England, said he could not, in his

"wildest nightmares," imagine

such changes' being made. Elias Bredsdorff, the Danish

author of an authoritative 1975

biography of Andersen, plans to

ask the government in Copenha-

gen to take up the matter. Reuters

Fairy tales by Andersen are

among the most frequently trans-

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with less dissent - into 10) lan-

Rotterdam, with the world's

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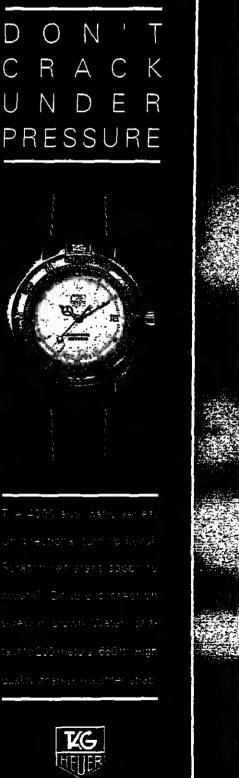
Mrs. Brunner's outspoken, infor-

Starting young: One-quarter of British boys aged 9 to 11 drink alcoholic beverages regularly, according to a University of Exeter survey of 3,700 children. The rate was a bit lower among girls. And in Helsinki, the statewhed liquor monopoly. Alko, has decided to stop selling a strong licorice vodka introduced only three months ago because of

ts popularity among teenagers. Ukrainian Catholics are demanding full rehabilitation of their church, banned by Stalin in 1946. A 1990 law allows individual congregations to register with the state, but not the church itself. The government has resisted pleas for rehabilitation, which would involve restoring a range of church assets seized by the Communists. Swiss ecologists say that em-

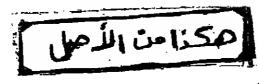
ployers who replace human workers with robots should pay a tax to help the unemployed find new jobs. "These machines create un-employment." said Max Schneider, one of four deputies backing the plan, "and since the state cannot tax them to finance social programs, we have a seri-ous problem." He acknowledges that some thought will have to be

Brian Knowlton



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Crackdown on Muslim Extremists in Egypt Leaves 18 Dead

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CAIRO - The police and Muslim fundamentalists lought four gunfights within 24 hours, killing 18 people, authorities said Wednesday. The dead included 13 fundamentalists, 3 police-

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men and the wife and baby of an extremust. At least 17 people were injured.

The toll was one of the highest in the struggle between Egypt's secular government and Muslim fundamentalists trying to replace it with a strict Islamic state.

The worst of the latest incidents occurred Tuesday night at the somhern city of Aswan, where 7 evtrem-ists died and at least 15 were injured in a gunfight with police surrounding their nivsque to prevent a protest march.

An Interior Ministry spokesman said that clash

Retaliation

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Stepped Up

JERUSALEM - After a week

in which four Israelis were slain by

Palestinian assailants, Jewish mo-

totists and soldiers have reacted

with new aggressiveness to Arab

stone-throwing attacks in Jerusa-lem and the occupied territories. In

litde more than a week they have

shot and killed four Palestinians,

including a teenager who was killed

The violence has accompanied

diplomatic moves to restart the stalled Middle East peace talks.

Israel and the Palestinians were

given formal invitations on

Wednesday by the United States

saying that Israel must first prom-

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By Israelis

prinipted security sweeps against extremists in other parts of the country on Wednesday. They were in Carro's Imbaba district, in Giza to the south and in Qalvubiya Province just north of the capital.

The Aswan shoot-out occurred a few hours after a nulitary court near Cairo began hearing the case against 49 Muslim extremists on terrorist charges including attacks on tourists.

Aswan, 615 miles (985 kilometers) south of Cairo. is southern Egypt's second tourist magnet after Lux-or, the antiquities-rich city on the site of the ancient capital of Thebes.

Saeed Hilmy, Aswan's chief prosecutor, said the shooting was at Al Rahman Mosque in central Aswan. It began after evening prayers and iftar, the meal with which Muslims break the daylong fast of Ramadan, the holy month now in its third week.

"Police received a tip that the extremists planned to gather at the mosque for discussions, then march on the streets in an anti-government demonstra-tion," Mr. Hilmy said. "Acting on the information. police surrounded the mosque to prevent the demonstration. The exchange of fire ensued."

Mr. Hilmy said the police recovered a cache of weapons in the mysque and that 78 people were arrested.

It was the worst extremist violence since more than 80 people died, many of them policemen, in a fundamentalist uprising in the southern city of Asyut two days after inilitants assassinated President Anwar Sadat in Cairo in 1981.

The Interior Ministry spokesman reported the three other gunfights, all on Wednesday: At Inibaba, a center for violence-prone militants.

extremists shot at a raiding police party, which returned fire. Two extremists and a government officer were killed.

The police launched a massive security operation at Imbaba in November, arresting more than 700

In Qalyubiya, the police surrounded a suspected extremist hideout and ordered the occupants to surrender. They refused and opened fire, the police

Two suspected extremists were killed, along with the wife and baby of one of them. A police spokes-man said the suspects had used the woman and child as a shield in trying to escape. One of the slain men was wanted for killing a police officer last year. In Giza, two extremists and two policemen died in a gunfight during a security raid on a suspected hideout.

China Has Released Some Jailed Clergy At Least 17 Roman Catholics Are Reported Recently Freed

The Associated Press BEIJING - At least 17 Roman Catholic clergy and lay people jailed in China for their religious

Mr. Kamm said Catholic church

activist said Wednesday.

In reporting the latest releases, Mr. Kamm said, "I see no evidence that the releases represent a substantive improvement in religious freedom." He noted that the party beliefs have been released in recent had not scrapped a 1991 document that called for the elimination of months, an American human rights John T. Kamni, a Hong Kongunderground churches as possible uxis of "hostile foreign forces," based businessman who travels fre-

The government bacs any religious worship outside of state-supervised churches, which are restricted in their activities. Roman Catholics are not allowed to knowledge the Pope's religious thority

Mr. Kamm said he did not know how many Catholics or other religious believers were still in jail. He said church sources in Hong Kong knew of at least 18 who were arrested in 1990 or 1991 and remain in some kind of detention.

Many of the 17 others were ar-Even after release, some elderly rested in late 1990 or 1991 for inclergymen are kept in government "retirement homes" and denied volvement in an underground contact with friends or family.

Among religious figures still in juil, two of the longest-held are Mr. Kamm said the significance of the releases was not clear. He arrested in 1953 and sentenced in 10 years: and Pei Zhongxun, a efforts to improve its international image in its bid to hold the Olym-image in its bid to hold the Olym-sentenced to 15 years.

 Christopher Urges Change Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher said Wednesday that be hoped to be able to reasw mustfavored-nation trading status for China but that it would depend on progress in a number of areas, including human rights. Reuters reported from Washington.

Speaking to a House committee, Mr. Christopher criticized China's human rights record, its trading practices, and some of its weapons sales. "It is my hope we can got forward with MFN this year but conditioned on their making very substantial progress," he said,

quently to China to press human rights cases, said he gave officials a list of Catholic prisoners and was **Palestinians** told 18 were freed recently. sources in Hong Kong were able to confirm all but one of the releases. He said there was still no indepen-Toughen dent confirmation of the status of the Reverend Pei Zhenping, who Stance on was arrested in 1989 for trying to hold an outdoor Mass in a village where authorities had refused to Peace Talks reopen a church.

By Youssef M. Ibrahim church conference and sentenced to three-year terms. A few were

New York Trines Aerone PARIS — Palestinian officials arrested as recently as November siid Wednesday that they would 1992 and were never tried. not take part in Middle East talks set for Washington on April 20. said it could he related to China's unless Israel agrees to end its practice of deporting Palestinians from the occupied Gaza Strip and West Bank.

pic Games in Beijing in the summer of the year 2000. China gave early The Palestinian position, refined releases to five political prisoners Wednesday in private and public comments, appeared to suggest in January and February, apparently hoping to strengthen its Olympic bid and head off U.S. that while the immediate fate of 396 Palestinians expelled by Israel in December to the border with trade sanctions. Lehanon is not a major issue of The Communist government. contention, the end of the practice which relaxed religious repression is considered an essential political in the early 1980s, began a new gain that would get Palestinians to the negotiating table. wave of arrests in 1989 in the wake of the suppression of the democra-

This stand, which is harder than previous Palestinians statements. seems to draw much strength from a change in mood among Arab delegations to the peace talks. The Jordanians, Syrians and Lebanese now appear unwilling to partici-pate in the talks if the Palestinian

delegation reluses to do so. But it is also motivated by internal political calculations. The PLO's strategy is to advance the peace talks on the backs of the

fundamentalists, where ppose any negotiations with Israel,

in Washington, Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher formally invited Arabs and Israelis to resume peace talks on April 20, "Personally 1 think that all the parties will come." Mr. Christopher said Wednesday, "So I don't

think we will face the question as to whether we would go ahead with unly some of the parties."

holding companies as the energy Officials of the Palestinians' conglomerate Ente Nazionale Idro-PLO faction figure that success in carburi, or ENI, and the industrial obtaining a commutment to end degiant fstituto di Ricostruzione Inportation while allowing the curdustriale, or IRI, were widely susrent deportees to linger in the cold termine their status in the occupied territories. The deportees are members of two militant groups. Hamas and Islamic Jihad,

ITALY: Looming Economic Chaos (Continued from page 1) this year if some political solution ishments for some offenses. But, amid widespread public ounrage. President Oscar Scalfaro over-

is not found soon to contain the scandal and so end the current fears of many executives.

Most of these jobs would go in the state sector, particularly in construction. In the private sector damage has been more limited, and some companies have enjoyed a new competitiveness as a result of the steep devaluation of the lina.

But the arrest last month of Fiat's chief financial officer, Francesco Paolo Martioli, clearly tarnished the reputation of Italy's largest private company although it vigorously denied the charges. Moreover, wherever private enterprise sells to the public sector, is it

Many argue that the country will ultimately benefit from a cleanup

of its political and economic sys-

tem, however painful the process. After all, the billions that apparent-

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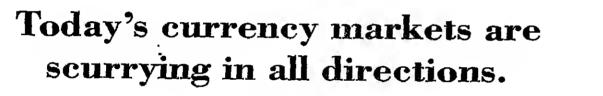
Israeli soldiers, protecting their caps because of the strong wind, taking a break Wednesday to pray at Jerusalem's Western Wall.

ise to return nearly 400 Palestinians deported to Lebanon in December nes, appeared to herald a fresh and to refrain from further expulrivund of diplomatic jockeying in the weeks leading to the planned The response, a nod to popular

continued. In an Arab neighborhood on the

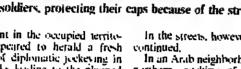
The police said a group of highnorthern outskins of Jerusalem, school students had hurled nocks at chased the pupils and opened fire, soldiers killed a teenager and Israeli cars on a highway linking killing 17-year-old Majid Haja.

In the streets, however, violence wounded two others in a stone- Jerusalem and the West Bank.



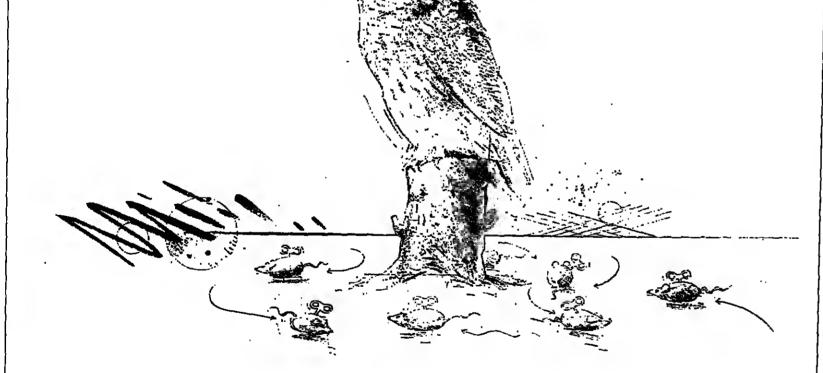
and Russia to resume negotiations. on April 20. But the Palestinian delegation rejected the invitation. sentiment in the occupied territo-

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When a vehicle carrying undercov-er soldiers was attacked, the troops



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Another goal of the PLO's strategy is to advance its aim of resuming its dialogue with the United States, which was halted by the Bush administration in 1988.

"There must be a solution to this issue," said one PLO official in the group's Tunis headquarters. "How and when the deportees are returned is not as important as dealing with the notion of deportation. I don't see how we can sit around a table to talk to the Israelis with nothing on that, and I think the other Arabs feel that way too."

Palestinian and other Arab officials involved in the talks said the need to deal with the issue of deportation has emerged as a pressing concern in the past few weeks due to rising pressure on the Palestinian negotiating teams from Palestinians inside the Israeli-occupied ter-ritories of Gaza and the West Bank.

"There is no question that popu-lar sentiment inside is such that it would be impossible to have Pales-

tinians talk with Israelis without resolving this issue right now," said the official, who asked for anonym-

Two senior figures from the Palestinian delegation, Faisal Husseini, who oversees the team, and Haidar Abdel-Shafi, chief of the negotiators, have repeatedly said they are not prepared to recommend more talks at this point. Jordan has served notice that it

will not take part in the talks without the Palestinians. The Syrian attitude has become ambivalent in the past week too, although Syria's position a few weeks earlier was that the peace talks are to be separated from the issue of the deportees in Lebanon.

Egypt, which has been the most eager Arab party to go on with the talks, is hard at work trying to persuade Israel to make some concessions on the issue of deporta-

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Herald, both citing unnamed sources, said Mr. Clinken would

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"Throughout the state sector there is a feeling of uncertainty and fear that undermines activity," said Mario Deaglio, an economist at Einaudi research institute in Turin. "The system is being changed and nobody knows the new rules." he said. "Perhaps \$6 billion was

instead to productive investment. aid last year alone in various "Finding a balance between jusbribes and kickbacks. So you see tice and ensuring that our entire the extent of the adjustment that governing class is not in jail or has to be made." Mr. Deaglio estimated that as many as 200,000 jobs could be lost

under investigation will be a delicate task," said Mr. Albertini, the Milan broker.

AMATO: Confidence Vote Won

(Continued from page 1) in return for cash contributions to

party treasuries. The decree would have absolved those caught up in the scandal from serving jail terms if they agreed to pay fines triple the amount of their

bribes and left public office for up to five years. But it was quickly attacked by the popular Milan prosecutors, who complained that the retroactive nature of the decree would paralyze their work and block their efforts to pin responsibility on the most guilty politicians.

Mr. Amato has dropped the iden of a decree, but he said Wednesday that he would introduce a bill in Parliament setting out many of the same terms, which amount to a partial annesty. He believes that

allowing Parliament to wrangle over the hill and work out the final version will allow some of the passion to seep out of the debate so that the electorate will understand the true stakes involved if the scandal disrupts the life of government and business much longer.

ff the investigations were allowed to run their course, even the prosecutors acknowledge that the iudicial system could seize up and the business dealings with the state would be thrown into chaos.

Italy maintains the largest staterun sector of any Western economy, with up to 40 percent of the national production rooted in government contracts. At a time when unemployment is already a leading cause of social instability in Eu-rope, Mr. Amato believes that public opinion will slowly recognize that a vast number of jobs could be jeopardized unless the country can find a way to move past the corruption scandal,

"What finally must happen is that the whole country has to examine its conscience and start changing its behavior," said one of the prime minister's advisers. "An entire social system that worked on kickbacks, bribes and influencepeddling must come to an end, and that will require a real revolution in the minds of our people."

BLAST: FBI Arrests 3d Suspect Kennedy Sister May Get Envoy's Post in Ireland Renters

(Continued from page 1) ing, Mr. Elgabrowny helped the de-fense team, handling everything BOSTON -- President Bill Clipfrom security to picking up docuton will name Jean Kennedy Smith, a sister of Senator Edward M, Kennients. nedy, as U.S. ambassador to Ire-land, two Boston newspapers re-

Mr. Nosair was acquitted of murder in Rabbi Kahane's slaying but was convicted of a weapons offense and of committing an assault as he fled the shooting scene.

Mr Elgabrowny and Mr. Sala-meb have been jarled without bail. probably make public his choice of Mrs Smith, 65, during a meeting with Prime Minister Albert Reyn-According to federal officials, Mr. Salameh was associated with olds of Ireland on Wednesday radical Muslim groups, including that of Sheikh Omar Abdel Ruhman, an exiled Egyptian cleric who

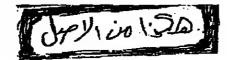
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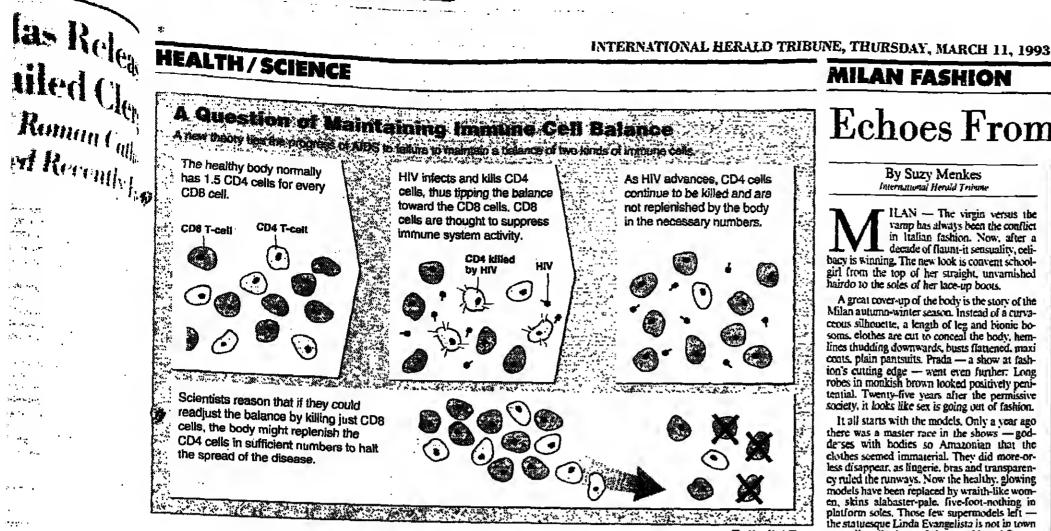
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man, an excled Egyptian cleric who lives in New Jersey. In Washington, James M. Fox, the assistant FBI director, told Congress that he believed the bombing was "organized by a large, well-known terrorist group."

Though Mr. Fox and other investigators already have speculated that a terrorist organization might be responsible, his comments at a House hearing were the first official suggestion that the size and scope of the group extended well beyond the two suspects already in custody and a few close associates, (AP, Reuters, LAT)





AIDS Theory Looks at Cell Balance

By Gina Kolata New York Times Service

EW YORK - It all be-

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gan with a very simple question. Why, some researchers asked. doesn't the immune system simply replace the white blood cells that are killed by the virus that causes AIDS? With that as a starting point, two groups of investigators have independently formulated a provocative new hypothesis that could explain how and why the immune system collapses in AIDS. So far, the hypothesis has only

circumstantial evidence to support it. But there is compelling evidence that the scientists are on the right track, wrote Dr. Anthony S. Fauci, the director of the Division of AIDS at the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, in an editorial accompanying the publication of the new studies.

And, he added, the new theory provides "a potential approach" to restoring the immune systems of people infected with HIV, the virus that causes AIDS. Dr. Fauci cautioned, however, that more re-search must be done to establish in animal experiments that the approach works, and to be sure it does no harm. The papers appear in The Journal of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome,

Dr. Sandra Bridges, a senior sci-entist at the Division of AIDS, said she found the hypothesis "a very. interesting idea, not only as it relates to AIDS but as it relates to the immune system in general."

But others were very wary. Dr.

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The new theory involves observations of changing ratios of two kinds of immune cells. When peo-HIV infection progressed, the share ple are infected with the buman of CD4 cells in the mix plummeted. ununodeficiency virus, they slow-Until the very end stages of AIDS, ly and rejentlessly lose one class of when the entire immune system white blood cells, the CD4 T cells, collapses and all forms of white while a second class of cells, called CDB cells, remains unaffected. The blood cells fall drastically in number, patients have fewer and fewer CD4 cells and more and more two groups appear to play different roles, with the CD8 cells presum-CD8s. ably suppressing immune respons-es while CD4 cells augment them. CD4 cells differ from CD8 cells

by just a single molecule on the surface. But the CD4 cells, named Normally, CD4 cells outnumber CDBs by a ratio of about 1.5 to 1. In HIV infections that ratio is gradfor the CD4 surface protein that identifies them, can be infected by HIV and the CDS cells, also named ually shifted toward the opposite for their surface protein, cannot. Within 10 years, on average, peo-One way to block the spread of

ple infected with HIV go from a normal number of 800 to 1,000 an HIV infection might be to stop the virus from entering CD4 cells. But when researchers tried this, CD4 cells per cubic milliliter of blood to almost none. When the they reported that the drugs they CD4 level drops below 200, the developed were clinically disapimmune system is so hobbled pointing that patients are likely to develop

HE observation that the body retains a constant total number of T cells

So, said Dr. Leonard Adleman of led Dr. Adleman to sugthe University of Southern Califor- gest their hypothesis. The immune system, they theorized, cannot tell nia, an author of the current report, "the basic scientific question is, Why does the CD4 cell count dethe difference between a loss of CD4 cells in particular and a loss of T cells in general. It simply senses cline?" " He continued, "Everyone that T cells are missing and it pro-duces new ones in the normal proknows the answer: the AIDS virus kills CD4 cells." But he added: portions.

"You could also say that losing T cells is not like losing an arm. Ev-eryone knows that T cells are re-That would mean that eventual as CD4 cells were selectively lost, there would be more and more placed. When you bleed, you lose CD4 cells and you grow new ones to replace them. So the real ques-CD8s and fewer and fewer CD4s. tion is, "Why does an HIV-infected individual fail to replace the CD4 cells he is losing to HIV?"

"We are saying that there is something that maintains a certain T cell level," Dr. Margolick said. However that regulation is operatng, it does not care wheth

Dr. Wofsy have calculated that it should be necessary to kill about 10 to 15 percent of the CD8 cells of a person infected with HIV every six months to keep the ratio of CD4

"It's like paddling a cance," Dr. Adleman said. "HIV is pushing you toward the left bank for six months, and then we'd come along and push you back toward the right bank."

In support of the hypothesis, Dr. Margolick and his colleagues cite data from a long-term study of 321 iomosexual men infected with HIV. They report that as the infections progressed. CD4 cell counts dropped and CDE cell counts rose, with the net effect of maintaining

the total T cell count.

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which men see as a symbol for being sexy," said Mario Testino, a photographer for American Harpers Bazaar and British Vogue. The new image is of the wails with tiny frames like Amber and Kate Moss, who were both in the Prada show. Jil Sander's show Wednesday opened with Jane March, the British actress who starred in the film "The Lover" and has a fragile, pubescent look. The sexpot image of Italian fashion started unraveling a while ago, but this season the change is dramatic. Prada's plain clothes, in-

spired by central European peasant costumes, made in dull fabrics or leather with lacing and metal eyelets, had a medieval feeling that is around in fashion and has a discomforting echo of the battles fought in medieval cities of the former Yugoslavia. It is also about fashion's last medievalist revival in the 1970s, except that Prada's flower child looked more like Ophelia drowned in ber clothes.

MILAN FASHION

By Suzy Menkes International Heroid Trinune

The show was weird. It left most of the audience shocked and bewildered, and it seems unlikely that the clothes - the fashion arm of



Echoes From Long Ago and Far Away

Rifat Ozbek's exotic look.

an imaginative bag and shoe company - will be sold or worn as shown. But there was something at Prada that caught fashion in the raw.

Jil Sander had a tame echo of the same spirit. Her beautifully crafted clothes in fine materials were also long and dark - the first 10 minutes of the show consisted entirely of black garments: plain pantsuits, suits with ankle-length skirts above the ubiquitous ankle boots. In fact, Sander had added subtle decoration to her modern and minimal silhouette, making jackets in dull plaid, adding frogging or appliques of matt jet embroidery and contrasting the soft textures of knitted sweaters with the liquid effect of crushed velver. Sander, 100, had a touch of the historical in lace-up necklines and

slashed effects on tailored jackets. Much of this collection looked good, strong and on target for the modern woman. Yet it was not inventive — just a pure and powerful distilla-tion of what is around in fashion, from sleek mannish tailoring to the inevitable black chilfon skirts wafting through slits in mid-calf dresses.

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R at Ozbek opened his show with a modely with shaven head marked with a tattoo. That was a symbol from Java, which was the theme of the show and meant arabesque motifs print-ed on the ankle-length chiffon dresses and skirts. The idea of light skirts worn over pants under a tailored jacket is around this season and looks newer than the split long skirt showing the leg. Since Ozbek is always in ethnic. mode, his floating skirts seemed disconcertingly like Asian dress, but he did them well and, they were a way of softening up the tailoring.

Ozhek's strengths are his distinctive silbouette, which is a slim line, and his feel for exoticcolor and pattern that never looks like costume. There were killim-patterned jackets, a section of ethnic-print velvets that can best be described as Thai-dyc, and plays on texture from a rugged hopsack short coat to a fluffy angora sweater above a tubular dress. Maybe a loosened up costume-party feel would have been a good idea in a collection that had good individual pieces and more ideas than many other Milan shows,

Missoni took inspiration from the Middle Ages, making long patterned cardigans in the Florentine flame stuch you find on cathedraf prayer benches. Yet somehow the tapestry knits, so technically dazzling, often just look middle-aged. Best were the long sweater dresses — a major story of the season — covering the hody from neck to ankle. Missoni also had the long coats, fringe decoration and the elongated vest or tank-top dress that has the plain look of current fashion - even when made in Missoni's rainbow of colors. Angela Missoni, a daughter of the founding family, said at the show that she is starting her own line.

Complice — designed by Dolce & Gabbana - was that old Italian fashion formula: Take some peppy modern looks, make them in fine fabrics, then look for a theme park to put them in. A harlequin patterned dandy pantsuit? A Pierrot-collared white skirt? A pirate hat shaped like John Galliano's last season wigs? Ah, ha! Think commedia dell'arte and the Venice carnival and it will all come together as a hright and hreezy show with a wacky costume spirit and great commercial clothes.

And so it was. Nice vested pantsuits with slim curved jackets. Fabulous fancy shirts with ruffled necks and cuffs - the one item you need to buy for next season to cheer up your old clothes. New wave, new woman, new ideas. They got lost in the carnival crowd.



the statuesque Linda Evangelista is not in town -are literally shorn of glamour. Naomi Camp-The New York Times bell has cut her languorous tresses. "Sex is out at this particular moment, which is why the models are chopping short long hair.

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Robots on Last Frontier

By William J. Broad New York Times Service

EW YORK - Undersea robots, which over the decades have opened new realms of activity for the world's navies, oil companies and wreck salvors, are now advancing on their greatest challenge yet. Highly computer-ized and sometimes free of human control, they are starting to scrutinize the ocean depths on behalf of basic science, promising to deliver a trove of data from the planet's last, largest and most mysterious frontier.

Dozens of deep-diving robots are being built or run today by the world's top centers of oceanographic research. Robots cost far less than manued submersihles, are safer, and can stay down far longer amid the crushing pressures and inky darkness miles beneath the ocean's surface.

Low cost in theory means large numbers. In coming decades, scientists say, hundreds of robots cruising the seas could gather abundant data at a time when the seas could gather abundant data at a une when the world's oceans will increasingly be threatened by hu-man activity. "It's the wave of the future," said Dr. Charles D. Hollister, a senior scientist at the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution on Cape Cod, Massachusetts, which is building more than a half dozen different kinds of undersea robots.

Dr. Paul J. Fox. an oceanographer at the University of Rhode Island, said the implications were enormous. "The abyss is the last frontier on this planet," he said. "The abyss is the last frontier on this planet, he said, "We know almost nothing about it. These remote tools have the potential to synoptically explore, study and characterize its properties, whether biologic, geologic characterize its properties, whether biologic, geologic or chemical. We're on the threshold of a new era.

Robots are seen as crucial for such jobs as finding the millions of undiscovered life forms thought to inhabit the deep ocean, learning how the planet's waters affect the elimate, studying the eruption of undersea vents and volcanoes and surveying thoasands of miles of coastlines and coral reefs.

They could also police toxic sites. For instance, robots could sound an alarm if radiation started to leak from abandoned nuclear warheads and submarine reactors, about 75 of which are now on the ocean floor.

This week two robotic tests going on thousands miles apart illustrate the field's progress and promise for the future.

Explorers from Woods Hole are sending a sevenfoot-long robot named Jason more than a mile down to the bottom of the Gulf of California, between Mexico and Baja California, to study hot venus in the ocean floor and associated life forms. Jason works on a long tether tied to a surface ship. Almost instantly, by way of satellite and the computer network known as internet, its data are flashed around the globe to marine scientists at more than a dozen universities and research institutes.

"This is the most complicated thing I've ever done," Dr. Robert D. Ballard, the expedition's leader and the discoverer of the wreck of the Titanic, told more than a half million school children learning about the twoweek study in a satellite television broadcast.

About 3,000 miles eastward, off Bermuda in the Atlantic, another Woods Hole team this week is inaugurating a new robot known as ABE, for Autonomous Benthic Explorer. Unlike Jason, it has no tether. An advanced computer inside the 6-font (1.8-meter) vehicle guides it through preprogrammed paces. The device is designed to travel to depths of nearly four miles and to stay there, examining a particular site or region for up to a year. It can be called back to the surface by an acoustic signal from a ship.

MONG its possible jobs would be scruunizing nuclear relics of the cold war. "Let's say you've got a sunken reactor and can't afford to recover it unless it's leaking." Dr. Albert M. Bradley, one of the robot's designers, said last week before setting sail. "What you need is a watchdog, a sentry. ABE would be ideal, wandering around with a radiation detector."

The robot cost \$1 million. Jason cost \$5 million. Alvin, the path-breaking submersible that over the decades has repeatedly carried a crew of three people into the ocean depths, cost about \$50 million to build and its operations currently run about \$25,000 a day. The future, scientists say, belongs to penny-pinching robots, especially self-sufficient ones that require no support ships hovering overhead.

IN BRIEF

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Fungus Deploys Bogus Flowers To Lure insects for Fertilization

NEW YORK (AP) - Bright yellow "petals" covered with sweet nectar on some mustard plants might look like flowers to insects and botany students, but they're a clever hoar. The phony flowers are leaves altered by a fungus that must attract insects to reproduce, said Dr. Barhara Roy of the University of

As inserts visit the hogus flowers, they help the fungus reproduce by ferrying sexual cells called spermatta between different fungus individuals. Dr. Roy says in the journal Nature, Botany students have often says in the journal value, behaves in the belief that they were of how fossils formed past and enable them to predict other the phony flowers in the belief that they were of how fossils formed past and enable them to predict collected the phony flowers in the oriestical botanists which of today's organisms are most likely to become real, and "at a distance, many professional botanists which of today's organisms are most likely to become have mistaken them for true flowers," she wrote.

Dr. Roy is not sure whether the insects are fooled by the phony flowers or simply consider them a source of the sugary substance.

In a First, Scientists Produce **Fossils of Soft Animal Tissues**

NEW YORK (NYT) - Scientists have for the first time produced fossils of soft animal tissues in a laboratory. They discovered that most of the phosphate required for the fossilization comes from within the ammal. The information from England's University of Bristol will help scientists understand the mechanisms

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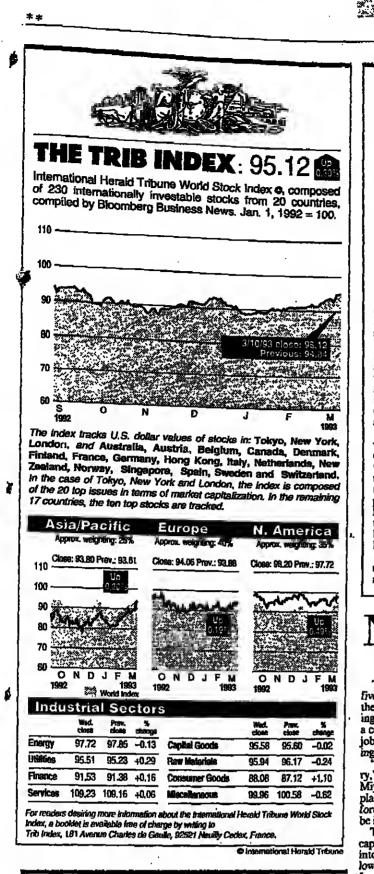
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Job Cutbacks at Tungsram **Threaten a Model Venture** By Judy Ingram New York Times Service LIDAPEST --- Management and workers are heading for a clash at Tungstan, the Hungarian lighting joint venture formed in 1990 in which General Electric Co. of the United States holds a 75 percent stake. Tungsram had come to symbolize the marriage of a proud, century-old manufacturing tradition with invigorating Western technology and management expertise, and it provided a model for joint ventures in post-Communist Eastern Europe. But its reputation in Hungary has declined as it has run heavy losses and pushed for more pro-ductivity while slashing jobs. Cbarles Pieper, who replaced the Hungarian-born George Varga as chief executive officer of Tunesram in January and of Tungsram in January and who also heads General Electric

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Rolls to Slim for Return to Form

MOSCOW - Russia and Aerospatiale, France's state-owned

work out future areas of cooperation.

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By Erik Ipsen nal Herald Trabun LONDON -- With an upturn

Aerospatiale Looks East in its business still at least two years away, Rolls-Royce PLC. the maker of aircraft engines and power-generating equipment. is oerospace company, signed a landmark deal Wednesday to cooperexpected to announce as many as ate in developing a new generation of modern aircraft. "We are convioced we have to work with the Russian aerospace 5,000 job losses and a cut in the final dividend of as much as 50 industry io the future," Aerospatiale Chairman Louis Gallois said percent when it unveils its 1992 before signing a preliminary cooperation deal with Viktor Glukhikh, results on Thursday. head of the state committee on defense production. The cheery news is that in spite of the still distant recovery in the with Deutsche Aerospace, a unit of Germany's Daimler-Benz AG.

aircraft-engine business, analysis say that the worst may now be behind the big British concern. Powered by aggressive cost curting and by the recent decline in the value of the pound, many analysis forecast Rolls's pretax profit to rise from an estimated £50 million (\$71.7 million) in 1992 to as much

A cut of 5,000 jobs, which would be on top of the 12,000 eliminated in the last two years. would save Rolls as much as £100 million a year. "The objective of these new job cuts is to get better profits in current depressed markets rather than just to wait for the market upswing," said Keith Hodgkinson, an analyst with Lehman Brothers,

While the financial logic of more job losses seems unassailable, they will nonetheless be painof the cheap, relatively unskilled ines typically take a decade to people," said one analysi, "Now develop and then five years from they are talking about skilled engi- prototype to manufactured prodneers and cuts in R&D." ucz. It is a costly cycle, bereft of In the main, the research-andshortcurs.

ful. "The first cuts tend to get rid in industry, it must. Aircraft eng-

soon withdrawn due to engine and noise problems.

development budget is expected to weather the cuts, In a business for Rolls in the last two years has By all accounts, the saving grace with one of the longest lead times been its relatively recession-proof

nower business, which currently accounts for 30 percent of the revenue. If it were not for the power business, the whole group would be in quite horrific state," said Clive Forestier-Walker, an analyst with Charterhouse Tilney.

While Rolls's civil and military engine business has at best only managed to break even, the pow-er side of the group turned in profil of nearly £100 million in 1991, a performance it is expected to reprise in the results published Thursday.

Pummeled by rbe recordbreaking losses racked up by the airline industry and by the steady decline in military spending. Rolls's annual pretax profit has tumbled nearly 80 percent from the 1989 peak of £233 million. Still, the company has by most accounts fared slightly better than its two American rivals, the Pratt & Whitney unit of United Technologies Corp. and General Electric Co.

by the likes of Northwest Airlines and United Airlines in recent months have fallen far more heavily on Rolls's rivals. Meanwhile the orders outstanding from Rolls's upwardly mobile clients such as Cathay Pacific Air-

EC Starts Probe Of Dumping by **3 Asian Nations**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatche BRUSSELS -- The European Community said Wedoesday it had opened dumping investigations into imports of televisioo camera equipment from Japan and electronic components from Taiwan and South Korea that could lead to still punitive fines.

Renters The investigation of Japanese BRUSSELS - The EC Commission said Wednesday imports came after two European manufacturers. Thomson Broadit had ordered the recovery of cast of France and Broadcast Tele-£44.4 million (\$63 million) givvision Systems GmbH of Germaen in government "sweeten-ers" to British Aerospace PLC ny, said that the imports were undercutting their prices by bewhen BAe hought the carmak-er Rover in 1988. tween 32 percent and 65 percent. The EC Commission said there

The order requires Britain to was sufficient evidence of dumping to justify an investigation. "We find the numbers very convincing." recoup the aid plus interest on the sum backdated to August 1990. A commission spokessaid a spokesman for Sir Leon Britman said the money was contan, the EC trade commissioner. sidered illegal state aid. August 1990 was the date The Community defines dumping

BAe Ordered

To Repay Aid

In Rover Deal

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as selling goods abroad for less than their production cost or less when BAe was first ordered to repay the aid but BAe had that order quashed. The complaint says the dumping

BAe is free to appeal the latest ruling, but commission officials have said the interest charges on the total would run until the date of payment A court battle that could drag on for more than a year could push the interest charges up significantly if BAe finally lost.

said it estimated that the EC market for such products, which are used only by professionals, was worth around 30 million European Currency Units (\$35.1 million)

than their home market prices.

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to the Japanese. fruit," said Yuichi Honda, an analyst ar Credit Several reports released Wednesday indicatsushita Communication Industrial

ed that Japan's economic slump will deepen Co. and Sony Corp. A spokesman for the EC Combefore there are any signs of improvement. The Economic Planning Agency minister, Hajime Funada, described the downturn as a prolonged mission said its investigation was adjustment which had yet to hit bottom and the commission concludes that the cantly hurt by dumping. said it was too early to know if Japan could reach its modest goal of 1.6 percent real GNP camera systems bave been dumped. growth in the current fiscal year, ne companies' products.

Nomura Research Insulute, meanwhile, forecast that parent-company ptetax profits in Japan's corporate sector would fall 1.1 percent in the financial year to March 1994. Nomura said Japan's economy is expected to

recover in the second half of the coming year following the recently introduced 10.7 trillion

yen (\$92 billion) economic package. But analysts say Japan's aversion to layoffs is oot likely to vanish soon. Consider the case of Piooeer Electronic

Corp. Just one month after the electronics concern announced that it would force 35 mid-level managers in their 50s to retire, the company was pressured into withdrawing the plan.

electrolytic capacitors that are used

in many electrical goods to regulate current. In 1991, EC imports of The chief Japanese exporters to such goods were valued at 2.4 mil-the Community are Hitachi Denshi lion Ecus from South Korea and Ltd., Ikegami Tsushinki Co., Mat-1.3 million Ecus from Taiwan.

In the case of those products, the Community was acting on complaints from electronics concerns in Britain, Germany and the Netherexpected to take several months. If lands that they had been signifi-

The European companies said could charge penalty duties on the Asian exporters had charged prices between 9 percent and 17 The investigation of South Kore- percent lower than those charged

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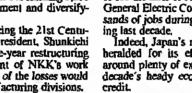
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Benelux Rates Trimmed

Renters

BRUSSELS - Analysis were divided Wednesday on whether a bigger-than-expected cut in Belgian and Dutch interest rates heralded or merely followed Bundesbank interest-rate cuts.

The Belgian and Dutch central banks, whose actions are heavily influenced by those of the Bundesbank, both lowered their official



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The NKK plan, which also calls for cutting

But NKK's cost-cutting plan, though it is doubtless painful for some, is not quite as bold as it scenes. The majority of the job reductions will come from the early retirement of older workers, who will walk off with lucrative severance deals. Other workers will be shipped off to affiliated companies and will oot actually leave the payroll.

Compared with the grueling wave of layoffs

lysts say that as as result, these programs may

True, notions of lifetime job security are giving way to barsh new business realities. However, Japan's business community has yet to see the likes of Jack Welch, the chairman of General Electric Co., who slashed tens of thousands of jobs during the company's restructur-

Indeed, Japan's manufacturing sector, once heralded for its efficiency, is now carrying around plenty of extra beft, thanks to the last decade's heady economic growth and cheap

in Japan's manufacturing sector were let go, the unemployment rate in that sector would be more than 7 percent, according to a report issued by Nikko Research Center, the research ann of Nikko Securities. That compares with Japan's

Small wonder that country's productivity fell 4.6 percent in 1992 from the year before, according to Japan Productivity Center, a statesponsored research body. Last year was the first drop in Japan's productivity since a 3.9 percent decline in 1975, following the oil shock.

Productivity will not turn around anytime soon, because Japanese companies so far are

Mr. Glukhikh said the committee had already signed a similar deal The agreement with Aerospatiale, which made no mention of financing, said the two sides would create a special committee to Mr. Gallois said Aerospatiale was particularly keen to help develop the Mi-38 multi-purpose helicopter and the planned twin-

engined Tu-334 medium-range airliner. He said that it also wanted in the longer term to work on building liquid-fuel propulsion boosrers for Ariane rockets and creating a second generation of supersonic The only such airliner currently in service is the French-British Concorde. The Tupolev Tu-144, the Soviet equivalent, which had been dubbed the "Concordski," entered service in the 1970s but was

Massive cuts in aircraft orders

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NKK Joins the Japanese Job-Cutters bours and cutting back on new hiring plans. These tepid cuts take longer to bit the bottom line, "It will take more than a year to bear

Computed by Our Staff From Dispatch

TOKYO -- NKK Corp., one of the world's five largest steelmakers, on Wednesday joined the growing ranks of Japanese companies mak-ing layoffs or closing plants when it announced a cost-cutting plan that includes slashing 3,200 jobs, cutting capital investment and diversifying into new areas. We must be bold in facing the 21st Centu

ry," said the company's president, Shunkichi Miyoshi. He said the three-year restructuring plan would pare 15 percent of NKK's work force and that the majority of the losses would be in the company's manufacturing divisions.

capital spending by 60 percent and expanding into the production of electronic devices, fol-lows job-cutting measures announced by such Japanese corporate giants as Nissan Motor Co. and Fujitsu Ltd.

sirliners.

take longer to pay off.

If all of the so-called underemployed workers

overall unemployment rate of 2.3 percent.

Lighting-Europe, said this week that he was determined to accelerate productivity improvements and make the company break even in 1994.

"We are here to stay, but not to stay the same," he said. "We need

more speed, more productivity." Tungsram this week reported a loss of \$104 million for 1992 and announced further job cuts. Since the venture's birth in 1990, the company has cut the number of jobs from about 18,600 to 10,200. Now, the company's labor force appears near the breaking point. "We have asked repeatedly, from a technical point of view, what

we have asked repeateury, from a technical point of view, what is the limit beyond which we simply cannot go," said Istvan Apor, the president of the trade union at one of Tungsram's nine plants in Huogary. "We have reached the point where one person is doing the work of several people, and he can't do it in the normal eight hours; he is doing it in 10."

The trade union leaders are threatening a campaign of demon-strations and strikes to protest the continuing layoffs, as well as the inability of wages to keep ahead of Hungary's 25 percent inflation.

inability of wages to keep anead of Hungary's 25 percent milation. The average monthly wage at Tungsram is \$279. The conflict comes at a sensitive time for Tungsram, one of the first big joint ventures in Hungary involving U.S. capital. Share-holders are scheduled to meet Tuesday in Budapest to discuss a capital increase to offset losses and pay debts that Mr. Pieper said came to about \$250 million.

So far, General Electric has sunk about \$350 million into the enterprise.

cost-cutting plans announced this year by Japa-nese manufacturers are timid stuff. And ana-Japanese executives are reducing overtime

By Steven Erlanger

New York Times Service

Like any potential gold mine, Ka-zakhstan has attracted its share of

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nies in Eastern Germany.

are political stability and his person-

armed men around his building, not

for the first time, so he moved to

another apartment. He has been

mugged on the street twice. Asked abour bribes, for instance,

he compared the situation here

with that in Indonesia. "As in In-

donesia, everyone must be pleased," he said carefully. "But there's a system, and it's clear. Here

they're just developing it, and ev-

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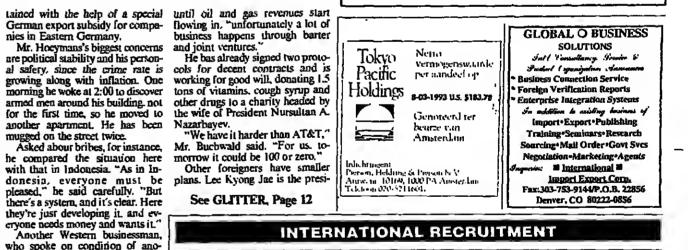
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and restructurings that have taken place in the Unlited States and Europe in recent years, the cost-cutting plans announced this year by Japa-

Lyonnais,

discount rates to 7.25 percent from 7.5 percent and their key money market rates to 8.10 percent from 8.30 percent, citing currency (Bloomberg, Reuters, AFX), strength and lower money market rates.

> But some analysts thought the central banks were betting the Bundesbank would soon cut its discount rate. "I think they were passing on the cut Friday in Germany's reportate to 8.25 percent and anticipating a cut in Germany's discount rate." said Sylviane Delcuve, an analyst at Generale Bank.



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homesteaders, trying to put down stakes for a potentially lavish future. Frans A. Hoeymans arrived here two years ago, scouting around for AT&T's Network Systems Interna-tional, which is based in the Netherlands. "No foreigner was here then, and nobody could help me, even to figure out the taxis," he said. "But I thought it could be a great business, and I convinced the company. The fun is to set in up from nothing, to

create it out of the drain." Now he has 12 technicians and

is setting up a training institute. "We've made a lot of market surlion contract last March to provide a new domestic and international telephone-switching system for the richest 40 percent of the country. It includes both the capital, Alma-the definition of a Kazakh joint Ata, and the area by the Caspian Sea that will house a 40-year, \$20 billion joint venture launched by vou the time." a new domestic and international veys, and I'm convinced Kazakh-stan is potentially one of the richest countries in the world," Mr. Hoeymans said. A million square miles in size, sea that will house a 40-year, S20 billion joint venture launched by Chevron Corp. to exploit the buge Tengiz oil field. Alcatel SEL, the former East German subsidiary of the Frencb telephone company, bas another 40 percent of the phone business, ob-

stretching from China to the Caspi-an Sea, Kazakhstan has some of the largest unexplored oil, gas and mineral deposits on earth. By getting here early, Mr. Hoey-mans has struck early gold for AT&T, signing a 10-year, \$500 mil-

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MARKET DIARY

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Secondary Rally Lifts Blue Chips

Compiled by Our Staff From Dupatches

NEW YORK --- The Dow Jones industrial average scored its third record close on Wednesday, with

The Dow Jones industrial average, which had been down as much as 22 points earlier in the day,

N.Y. Stocks

closed with a 6.22-point gain, at a record 3.478.34. Broad-market indexes posted more forceful gains, with records set for the Standard & Poor's 500-stock index, up 1.94, to 456.34, the New York Stock Exchange index, which rose 1.15, to 251.36, and the American Stock Exchange index, up 2.86, at 421.88.

Some traders said the Dow's early weakness was triggered by the second day of pullbacks in the bond market. The beliwether 30year Treasury bond slipped 1/32, raising its yield to 6.75 percent from 6.74 Tuesday, but the returns are still scanty. Many analysts said the stock market was merely digesting the sharp Monday advance that sent the Dow up 64 points.

Treasuries were hit by a comment from E. Gerald Corrigan, president of the New York Federal Reserve Bank, that interest rates could rise dramatically if Congress failed to pass President Bill Clinion's economic program. His comment hit the to-year Treasury bond, whose yield rose to 5.96 per-cent from 5.91 percent.

"There's definite concern that the bond market's rally is waning and that's going to start weighing on the stock market," said Thomas the blue-chip stocks getting a boost from secondary issues, Callagher, managing director in charge of capital commitment at Oppenheimer & Co. The concern is that stocks become a more risky investment as bond yields go up, he said. "It's safer to own bonds that yield 7 percent than it is to own

stocks, which are already at alltime highs." Walt Disney was the most-active New York Stock Exchange issue,

3100 down 1/2 at 44% after the estate of Sharon Disney Lund, the daughter of the founder Walt Disney, sold almost 2.9 million shares.

Via Associated Pres

March 10

Bristol-Myers was second, up 11/2 to 58%, and Merck was third, up 1% at 40. They led a surge in health-care issues that benefited from reports that industry executives were working with the government on a plan to limit prescription-drug prices. Am-gen rose 4 to 34 and Johnson & Johnson was up 11/2 to 44%. IBM fell ½ to 55% on negative comments from Dean Witter Reyn-

olds. Despite the fall in bond prices, financial companies, whose profits often rise when falling interest rates reduce their own borrowing costs, looked remained strong Wednes-day. Citicorp rose % to 28%, J.P. Morgan rose 2% to 69% and Chemical Bank rose 14 to 44.

(Bloomberg, UPI, Knight-Ridder, AP)

Talk of Intervention Brakes Dollar's Rise

Compiled in Our Stuff From Deparches NEW YORK - The dollar was mixed on Wednesday, although with a firming bias late in the session, pressured by the suspicion that the Bundesbank sold dollars for Deutsche marks.

The U.S. currency closed at 1,6640 DM, down slightly from

Foreign Exchange

Tuesday's 1.6664. Wednesday was the fourth trading day in a row in which the dollar pushed to the brink of 1.67 DM, only to fall back. Dealers see that level as an impenetrable barrier that can only be broken on strong U.S. economic news or German interest-rate movement,

The dollar had another, nontechnical restraint - talk that the Bundesbank was selling dollars for marks near 1.67 overseas.

While Wednesday's Bundesbank action was unconfirmed, dollar selling generally has been acknowledged by the German central bank. which sold marks in September to ease tensions in the EC exchange-

rate mechanism and now wants to repurchase the currency. Another factor weighing on the dollar was talk that Airbus Industrie, the European airplane manufacturer and big player in foreign-

francs, down from 5.6525 francs,

The dollar's rise against the year would have been stronger if investors were not so uneasy about recent U.S. economic reports, said Lisa Finstrom, currency analyst nt Lehman Brothers.

"Skepticism about U.S. data has limited the dollar's advance," Ms. Finstrom said.

In European trading, the dollar closed at 1.6640 DM, down from 1.6665 DM. But it climbed against the yen to 118.23 after its previous close of 117.58. (Knight-Ridder, Bloomberg)

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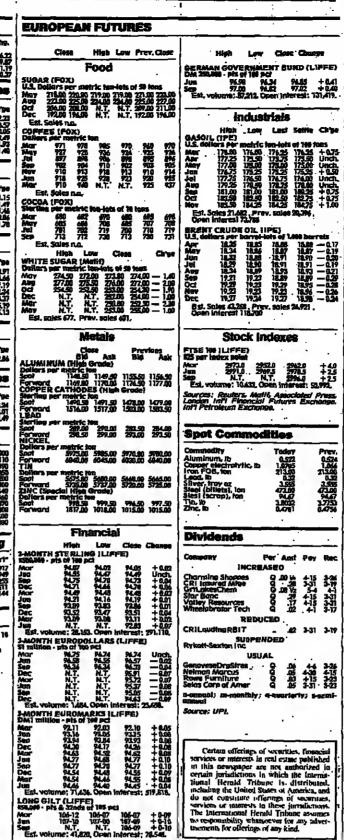
Moscow a Bit Closer to OPEC

The Associated Press

CARACAS — Moscow signed on Wednesday a cooperation accord with Venezuela that will eventually lead Russia to join the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, the Russian deputy energy minister said. The 5-year agreement calling for mutual technological cooperation is part of the Russian oil industry's efforts to arrest a sharp production

decline over the past years and increase pumping capacity, Edouard Grushevenko said at a news conference.

"would create conditions necessary for a decision on joining OPEC," Mr. Grushevenko said.



Clinton Seeks to Spur Bank Lending WASHINGTON (Combined Dispatches) - President Bill Clinton announced regulatory changes Wednesday aimed at encouraging banks to make more loans, particularly to small and medium-sized businesses. "Small companies are simply unable in too many cases to get loans from banks." Mr. Clinton said before an audience of bankers and owners of small businesses at the White House. He added, "If these businesses can't

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expand or try new ventures, that means stagnation for our economy." Among other things, the proposed rules would alter how banks are required to appraise real estate used as collateral and to document the ability of small borrowers to repay commercial loans. (AP, NYT)

Penney Splits Stock, Raises Payout

NEW YORK (Bloomberg) - J.C. Penney Co. approved Wednesday a 2-for-1 stock split and raised its dividend 9.1 percent, the first increase in three years.

The split and the dividend will be paid May 1 to shares of record April 12. The retailer's new quarterly dividend will be 72 cents a share, on a presplit basis, up from 66 cents.

Penney's shares rose \$2.125 to \$85.75, a 52-week high. For the year ended Jan. 30, the company's earnings rose 47 percent to \$777 million.

Paramount 1st-Period Net Fell 95%

NEW YORK (Combined Dispatches) — Paramount Communications Inc. said Wednesday that first-quarter profit had fallen 95 percent, and jt cited slow sales of movie tickets.

Net moome for the quarter ended Jan. 31 was \$900,000, or one cent a share, down from \$18.4 million, or to cents a share, in the 1992 first quarter. Revenue feil 11.8 percent to \$943.7 million from \$1.07 billion. Entertainment revenue was down 17 percent, while publishing revenue rose 3.1 percent. (Bloomberg, AP)

Toys 'R' Us Posts 30% Rise in Profit

PARAMUS, New Jersey (Bloomberg) - Toys 'R' Us Inc., the world's largest toy retailer, said its fourth-quarter earnings rose 30 percent on a 19 percent increase in sales.

For the quarter ended Jan. 30, profit jumped to \$339.7 million, or \$1.14 a share, from \$261.6 million, or \$8 cents a share, a year earlier. The earnings beat Wall Street projections of \$1.12 a share, according to a consensus estimate compiled by Zacks Investment Research. Sales rose to \$3.40 billion from \$2.86 billion. Sales at stores in the United

States open at least a year, known as same-store sales, rose 11 percent.

Coke Chairman Takes a Big Cut

NEW YORK (Combined Dispatches) - Coca-Cola Co. has apparent-ly told Roberto C. Goizneta, its lavishly compensated chairman and chief

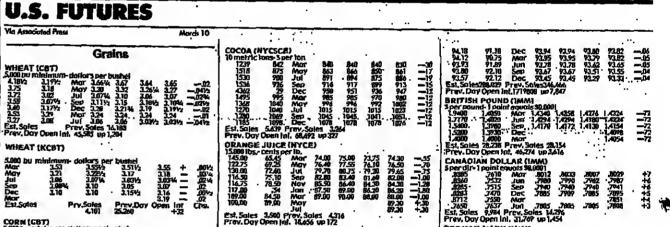
by told Roberto C. Gozzneta, its lavisny compensated chairman and chief executive, that there are limits to the company's generosity. Mr. Goizneta piloted Coke through a difficult year in 1992, one dominated by recent, creating \$1.4 billion in shareholder wealth. But despite that performance, the company's directors cut Mr. Goizneta's compensa-tion by \$59 million.

tion by \$59 million: The chairman received a \$1.8 million bonus on top of his \$1.4 million salary, compared with a bonns of \$1.9 million and salary of \$1.2 million in 1991. But, as part of an incentive plan in 1991, he received \$56 million-worth of stock. There was no similar stock award in his 1992 package. (NYT, WP)

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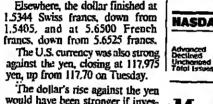
C. Robert Dudgeon, a former AT&T midlevel manager, was charged with making more than \$260,000 hy trading on nonpublic information about AT&T's merger with NCR and acquisition of Teradata. (AP) Dow Jones & Co, has named the managing editor of Barron's maga-zine, James P. Meagher, to succeed Alan Abelson as editor. (NYT)

Revco D.S. Inc. said Wednesday that third-quarter net income fell 73 percent to \$4.3 million, or 11 cents a share. (UPI)



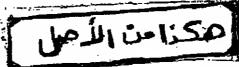
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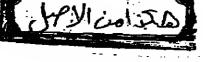
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Profits on that route have

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the world's largest aircraft-leas-

ing company, have also plunged since the cancellation of GPA's

stock flotation last June. The air-

line had hoped to use the money

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GPA is now seeking to raise

new capital by selling shares all one-thirtieth of the price sought

six months ago, and analysis said

that Aer Lingus was unlikely to

"Airlines must compete in an

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can no longer intervene to regulate

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Mr. Cowen, the transport minis-

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The Irish Times has reported

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Management Shake-Up at Aer Lingus

Computed by Our Staff From Disparches DUBLIN - The Irish government said Wednesday that it had replaced the chairman of Aer Lingus and given the new chief special powers in an attempt to revive the airline's flagging fortunes.

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Cathal Mullan, who had been with the troubled airline for 36 years, resigned as chief executive late on Tuesday and Bernie Cahill, the chairman, took over as executive chairman in effective overall control.

The surprise appointment was announced by Transport Minister Brian Cowen, who gave Mr. Cahill a free hand "in terms of increasing yields, disposing of asets not essential to the core busiliess and achieving savings on the company's cost base."

That could mean extensive joh losses and the sale of the airline's string of hotels, according to industry analysis.

Aer Lingus, which is expected to post a loss of 90 million punts (\$135 million) this year, had sought a large injection of equity from the government and pro-posed an estimated 500 job cuts from its Irish work force of 7,000.

Mr. Cowen warned that it could not expect huge bailout payments.

He said Mr. Cahill had been given executive responsibility "to take whatever action is necessary with immediate effect to restore the company to commercial via-

SAS Loss Narrowed in 1992

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches STOCKHOLM - Scandmavian Airlines System said Wednesday

that its pretax loss for 1992 narrowed to 743 million Swedish kronor (S97.8 million), from a loss of 1,292 billion kronor in 1991. The airline reported a loss after financial items of 849 million

kronor for 1992, compared with a loss of 61 million the previous year. The 1992 loss included currency losses of 1.15 billion kronor. Sales at SAS rose 6.5 percent, to 34.39 billion kronor, from 32,29 billion in 1991.

The company said it expected some improvement in results in 1993

Separately, a spokesman for KLM Royal Dutch Airlines, Hans Leijte, declined to comment Wednesday on Dutch press reports that the company would post a loss of 578 million guilders (\$308 million) or more for the financial year that ends March 31.

Mr. Leijte repeated the company's forecast, made Feb. 4 when it reported third-quarter results, of a "large loss" for the full year. He also said the company told unions in February that it wanted to drop the new pay-and-conditions deal including a 2.5 percent pay rise that was to come into effect July 1, keeping the old deal in place until 1995, and to make a 13th month salary bonus payout dependent on (AFX, Rewers) the company's profitability.

bility, adding, "Decisions to be Mr. Cahill, one of Ireland's best-known businessmen, said be taken by management and work force must be evident before the was determined to safeguard the maximum number of jobs while government can commit itself to ensuring the viability of the comany specific level of support." Mr. Cowen said that "subject

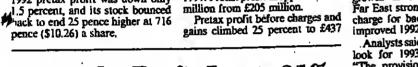
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Aer Lingus serves several Eu-

Cadbury Stock **A Provisions Blip at Chartered Boosted** by Solid

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches LONDON - Standard Chartered PLC gave the stock market a sure to India's securities scandal. jolt Wednesday by disclosing larger-than-expected provisions for its operations in India, but the bank's 1992 pretax profit was down only .5 percent, and its stock bounced

pence (\$10.26) a share.



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Procordia Profit Jumps 31% STOCKHOLM --- Booming pharmaceutical sales belped the Swedish

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conglomerate Procordia AB boost its profit 31 percent last year and increase its dividend 13 percent, the company said on Wednesday.

Profit after financial items, structural costs and one-time costs jumped to 4.87 billion kronor (\$641 million), above analysts' expectations, from 3.70 billion a year earlier. Procordia recommended a dividend of 3.55 kronor, up from 3.15 in 1991.

Sales increased to 40.09 billion kronor from 38.35 billion. The company changed accounting procedures to bring minorities and restructuring costs, previously reported as extraordinary items, into the result after $e^{i \eta}$ <u>____</u>;___; financial items.

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million, from £348 million in 1991. Profit was hit by a charge of £277 Standard Chartered said it would million to cover the bank's expopay an unchanged dividend of 20 pence a share. The total provision for bad or ques-According to a Bloomberg survey, analysts had expected strong tionable debts was £366 million,

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compared with £159 million in growth in Standard Chartered's 1991. Pretax profit dropped to £202. Far East stronghold and a smaller charge for bad debts to result in improved 1992 results.

Analysts said the company's outlook for 1993 was much better, "The provision for India was a staggering number." Rod Barrett, banking analyst at Goldman Sachs & Co., said. "But the underlying figures were above expectations." £3,37 billion.

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Alison Dechars, an analyst at pectations and the share price rose Lehman Brothers, said the bank's performance was "miserable" in 14 pence to 508 pence. Duncan Fox, an analyst at S.G.

Europe and Britain and only "slightly better" in Africa but Warburg, described the results as "excellent" and said he expected to strong in Southeast Asia. raise his forecast for profit in 1993 to between £390 million and £400 Profit in the Asia-Pacific region soared to £382.4 million from £184 million from an earlier forecast of million in 1991.

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BAT Flies High On Tobacco Profit Compiled by Our Staff From Dopatches

LONDON - BAT Industries PLC. enjoying robust financial health in its tobacco and insurance operations, announced Wednesday a 68 percent rise in 1992 profit. a stock split, a dividend increase and expansion plans.

Announcing results on No Smoking Day in Britain. BAT said it had £1.65 billion 1\$2.37 billiont pretax profit, up from £981 million in 1991. Sales rose to £18.70 billion from £17.71 billion, and net profit rose to £344 million from £25 million.

The tobacco side of the company had record trading profit of £1.31 billion, up 24 percent. Sir Patrick Sheehy, the chairman, said BAT was "confident of further growth in tobacco." Increased demand is seen largely from Asia and Eastern Europe, including the former Soviet Union, but BAT has targeted plants in Southampton, England, and Ma-

"These were very good num-bers," said Mark Duffy, an analyst for S.G. Warburg Securities in London. "The stepping up of capi-tal expenditure in the U.K. and the U.S. is telling us a lot about the volume outlook," he added.

cial services, largely insurance, had trading profit of £598 million, sharply higher than the £130 million of 1991, Adoption of a new Brazil-

ian accounting standard reduced the latest year's result by £29 million. More good news for shareholders came in a 22.6 pence per share final dividend, raising the payout for the year to 37.2 pence from 33.0 pence in 1991. To encourage small investors, the company announced

for-one bonus issue. BAT's stock

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Meanwhile, the company's finan-

Vickers Sees Silver Lining

the black, and Vickers bas given up Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches its plans to try to find a buyer. LONDON - After an expensive although it remained open to bids. Vickers also cut its dividend to 5 pence per share from 6 pence in 1991. But the stock market expected the reduction, and Vickers

The company, which also has de-

Sir Colin Chandler, the chief executive, said only a small upturn in sales would get Rolls-Royce back in

a stock split in the form of a one-

gained 20 pence, to 955 pence. Sir Patrick said BAT was looking at expansion of its tobacco inter ests in the former Soviet Unior with a deal for a new factory in Ukraine in its final stages and one in Moscow under discussion.

The company said it had see strong consumer demand for U.S. cigarette brands in Eastern Europe with sales of Viceroy, Lucky Strike and Pall Mall "particularly buoy ani in Bulgaria, Romania and th former Soviet states.

Sir Patrick said that with highe taxes expected, the U.S. tobaco market's decline would accelerate hut that this would be offset by

growth in other countries and expanded financial services. On the financial side. Sir Patrick

said the best performer last year was Farmers Group Inc., which he said had become the third-largest

general insurer in the United States, with 14.7 million policies in force. The British insurer, Eagle Star, returned to profit last year, he noted. (Reuters AFY Bloomberg)

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Madrid	General Index	241.00	240.10	+0.37
Milan	MIB	1,147.00	1,127.00	+1.77
Paris	CAC 40	1,992.42	2,009.69	-0.00
Stockholm	Affaersværlden	N.A.	1,223.93	1.00
Vienna	Stock Index	385.07	388.94	+0.40
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Very briefly:

Investor's Europe

Siemens AG and Daimler-Benz AG said they had canceled plans to merge their rail divisions after the Federal Cartel Office said the move would violate antitrust laws.

Bechtel Group Inc. leads a consortium that has won a contract worth \$1.35 billion to develop an onshore gas field in Abu Dhabi.

• Campbell Soup Co. said it had concluded an agreement to acquire the Fray Bentos brand of canned means from a unit of Unilever PLC for an undisclosed amount.

Norway is expected to emerge from six years of recession with an export-led recovery in 1993 and 1994, the OECD said.

 Swiss Bank Corp. said group net profit edged lower to 1.01 billion francs (5655 million) in 1992, from 1.03 billion in 1991, due to higher loan-loss provisions.

 Mercedes-Benz AG, a unit of Daimler-Benz AG, declined to comment on a report in Stern magazine that it was likely to post a loss of 2 hillion Deutsche marks (\$1.2 billion) in 1993 in the wake of its loss of 1.1 billion DM in 1992

• Ringier AG, a Swiss publisher, launched a business newspaper with a shares rose 6 pence, to 124 pence. circulation of 50,000 in Bulgaria after beginning a similar weekly in (Retures, Bloomherg, AFX) Romania. It has similar plans for Poland. Reuters, AP, AFX, AFP

Westinghouse's Czech Nuclear Plant Cleared

Frantisek Benda, also voiced his concern about the twin-unit Soviet-designed plant, calling on the govern-ment to pass a nuclear regulatory law to ensure it .

would operate safely. Prime Minister Vaclav Klaus said the government was backing Temelin for technical, ecological and economic reasons.

Westinghouse, which has promised to sell the Czech power company nuclear fuel and equipment for the plant, had delayed final signing of the contract pend-

ing government approval. The Westinghouse CEZ partnership will be the first ever integration of Western technology with a Soviet-

go ahead with the plant. On Tuesday, the Czech environment minister, designed reactor.

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restructuring of its Rolls-Royce **Rise in Earnings** Motor Cars unit, Vickers PLC Compiled in the Staff From Dispatches promised shareholders better times LONDON - Cadbury ahead Wednesday, but it cut their Schweppes PLC, the British confecdividend and asked them to invest tionery and soft-drinks concern. more money in the company. said Wednesday that 1992 profit had risen 5.7 percent as strong earn-ings in U.S. and British beverage Vickers said it had a £25.9 mil-

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PRAGUE - The Czech Republic approved on

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to \$450 million has been arranged in finance, most of it from the Export-Import Bank of the United States. luxury cars unit, In 1991, it took a

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Wednesday the completion of the Temelin nuclear power plant, clearing the way for Westinghouse Electric Corp. to finalize its proposed \$410 million contract with the Czech power company. The government also said it would be offering state guarantees for financing raised by Westinghouse. Up

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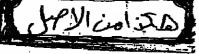
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Sony Plans Research Facility in California

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TOKYO - Sony Corp. will set up a research-and-development facility in San Jose, California, this summer and move 100 of its 250 U.S. engineers there, a company official said on Wednesday.

The facility will focus on new technologies for semiconductors. high-definition television and sofield fuzzy computer logic, the of-

The research facility will be set up inside a Sony marketing and distribution center, which is to be built on 154,000 square meters (1.8 million square feet) of land.

The center will absorb Sony's sales and marketing offices in the area and will employ some 500 workers in addition to the researchers. It will be responsible for all of Sony's marketing and distribution husiness in the northwestern United States.

The staff will be boosted to 800 next year, the official added.

The company official said the move was aimed at cutting costs and making the company's operations more efficient.

"Sony hopes to integrate re-search with marketing in an effort to better respond to the consumer needs," said Hiromi Hashimoto, who follows the electronics industry for the investment bank Kleinwort Benson.

Kimihide Takano, an analyst at Goldman Sachs, said Sony would also be able to recruit better engineers in the area.

(Bloomberg, AFP, UPI)

Oei Buys Heavily Into China Indonesian's Venture to Control 100 Plants

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HONG KONG - A Hong Kong company controlled by one of Indonesia's top businessman is forming a joint venture valued at 957 million-Hong Kong dollars (\$123.8 million) to take control of 101 factories making a wide range of goods in the city of Dalian in northern China.

This is the second time that China Strategic Invesiment Ltd., controlled by the Indonesian businessman Oci Hong Leong, has taken control of a large number of factories in a Chinese city. In July 1992 it approunced an agreement to take a 60 percent stake in a company that will own all 41 state-owned enterprises in the southeastern coastal city of Oanzhou.

China Strategic said China Industrial Management (Holdings), a wholly owned subsidiary, had reached agreement in principle to set up Dahan CSI Industrial Co. with the Chinese state-owned enterprise Dalian Light Industry.

China Industrial will provide 488.1 million dollars in cash and Dalian Light Industry will furnish assets valued at 469 million dollars for the joint venture.

The assets consist of all the existing fixed assets of the 101 factories, employing a total 50,000 workers, and the value was calculated on their book value as of Feb. 5. Among the goods the factories produce are shoes, printing products, domestic appliances, watches, beer, plastic products, leather goods, furniture and other consumer goods. In the latest agreement, Dalian CSI will also

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have the right to engage in such businesses as transportation, real-estate development, tourism, information services and financial services, said China Strategic. China Industrial will control 51 percent and Dalian Light Industry 49 percent of the venture.

China Industrial will provide technical assistance, advanced technology and marketing assistance to the joint venture. It will also help set up overseas sales offices to market goods which are currently sold mostly in China.

Dalian Light Industry will continue to be responsible for the day-to-day operations of the factories. The cash injected by China Industrial will be spent on new machinery and expansion of the factories, the company said.

China Strategic also announced that it would help produce Kirin Beer in Dalian, the first time that the Japanese brew will be made in China.

The company said it would remain the major shareholder in the operation while the Japanese brewer would provide technology and management for the project. It also noted that Adolph Coors Co. the United States was negotiating with China Strategic for a brewery deal in Hangzhou.

"In the fature, when you see our portfolio, every venture we have will be with either the Japanese or the U.S.," Mr. Oci said. "The Chinese have limited ability in management. They provide us with the factory and the workers, we provide everything

Tokyo Firm Raided In Kanemaru Inquiry

Prosecutors were reported to be-TOKYO - Okasan Securities lieve the 78-year-old Mr. Kanemaru. Co., a Tokvo-based securities who until six months ago was la-house, said Wednesday that prose-cutors had raided its offices and the phoned off at least 5 billion yen in political donations for his personal homes of some of its brokers as profit. But they have refused to dipart of the investigation into alvulge either the value of the bearer leged tax evasion by Shin Kanebonds, a key piece of evidence in the maru, former vice president of the case, or the source of Mr. Kane-

Liberal Democratic Party. maru's undeclared income. A spokesman for Okasan said prosecutors searched company preon finding as much evidence against mises and homes of three Okasan Mr. Kapemaru as possible before executives on Tuesday night for evicharging him with tax evasion. dence linked to their investigation of Mr. Kanemaru, who is under arrest.

Earlier this week, investigators "Prosecutors said they believed seized hundreds of pounds of gold that our firm sold Mr. Kanemaru discount bonds that were used to and between \$30 million and \$60 hide income from authorities," the million in cash from a safe in Mr. Kanemaru's office building. The spokesman said. "Our firm is cooperating with the search but we have New York Times reported. not heard if prosecutors found any Mr. Kanemaru was arrested on incriminating evidence." March 6 along with his former po-

Prosecutors refused to comment litical secretary on suspicion of evading taxes on billions of yen of income from unknown sources. but news reports said investigators were looking for records of the sale in Mr. Kanemaru of 1 billion yea (\$8.6 million) of five-year bearer signed from parliament after publicbonds. Such securities have been ly admitting he took 500 million yen used in a number of countries over in illegal political donations from the years to hide money because Sagawa Kyubin Co., a uncking coninterest and principal is paid in cern at the center of the current wheever has physical possession of Japanese corruption scandal. the bonds.

Bank of America to Return to Hanoi

Agence France-Presse

HANOI — Vietnam has given Bank of America approval to open a representative office in Hanoi, making it the first U.S. bank to return to Vietnam since 1975, financial sources said Wednesday.

The San Francisco-based bank was expected to announce on Thursday the licensing of its office, the sources said.

Nearly 20 foreign banks have been authorized by the State Bank of Vietnam to open offices or branches, but their U.S. competitors have been held back by Washington's embargo against Hanoi. President George Bush loosened the embargo in December, a month before leaving office, hy authorizing U.S. companies to open offices and sign - but not (UPI, AFX) execute - contracts.

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Prosecutors were reported to be- we the 78-year-old Mr. Kanemani, ho until six months ago was Ja- in's most powerful politician, si- noned off at least 5 billion yen in political donations for his personal	6500 6000- 5500-	1500	1	5000 - N P	JEM
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Earlier this week, investigators	Kuala Lumpur	Composite	637.37	631.79	+0.88
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New York Times reported.	Taipei Manita	Composite	1,529.62	1,529.50	+0.02
Mr. Kanemaru was arrested on March 6 along with his former po-		Stock Index	311.78	310.08	+0.55
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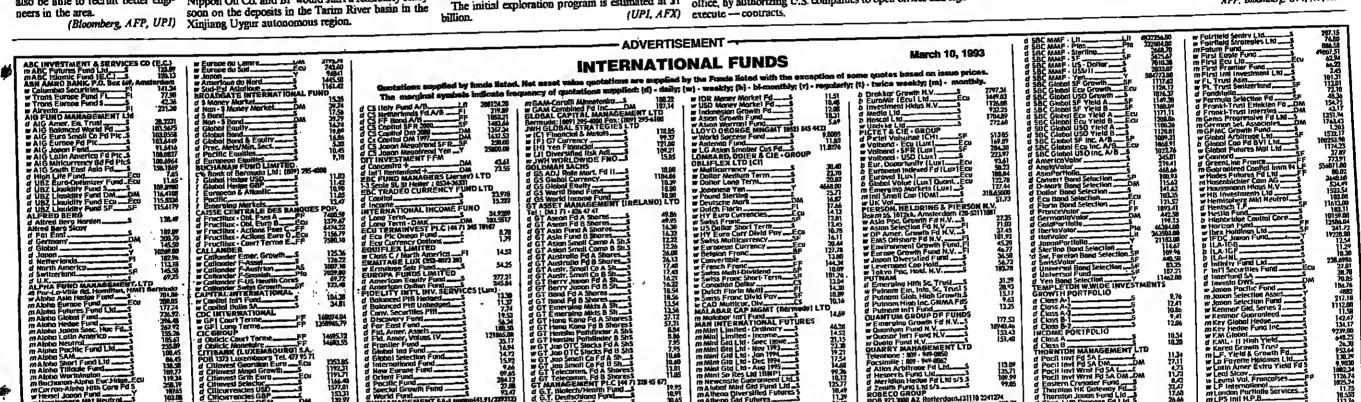
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· Compagnie des Machines Bull said its unit Bull-CP8 has sold the rights • Compagne des Machines dem said its unit durit des reines soid des rights to its patented smart-card technology to five Japanese companies includ-ing Hitachi Ltd., Toshiba Corp., Oki Electric Industry Co., Toppan Printing Co. and Kyodo Printing Co. Terms were not disclosed.

 Singapore is considering giving 200 dollars (\$1211 to workers to buy stock in state-run companies, especially soon-to-be-listed Singapore Telecon. " Philippine Airlines will go ahead with a Eurobond offering next month to raise working capital, a senior official said, adding that the airline hoped to sell between \$60 million and \$100 million.

British Airways PLC completed its purchase of a 25 percent stake in Qantas for 665 million Australian dollars (\$466 million), plus B 1.5 million dollar penalty for lateness in completing the deal.

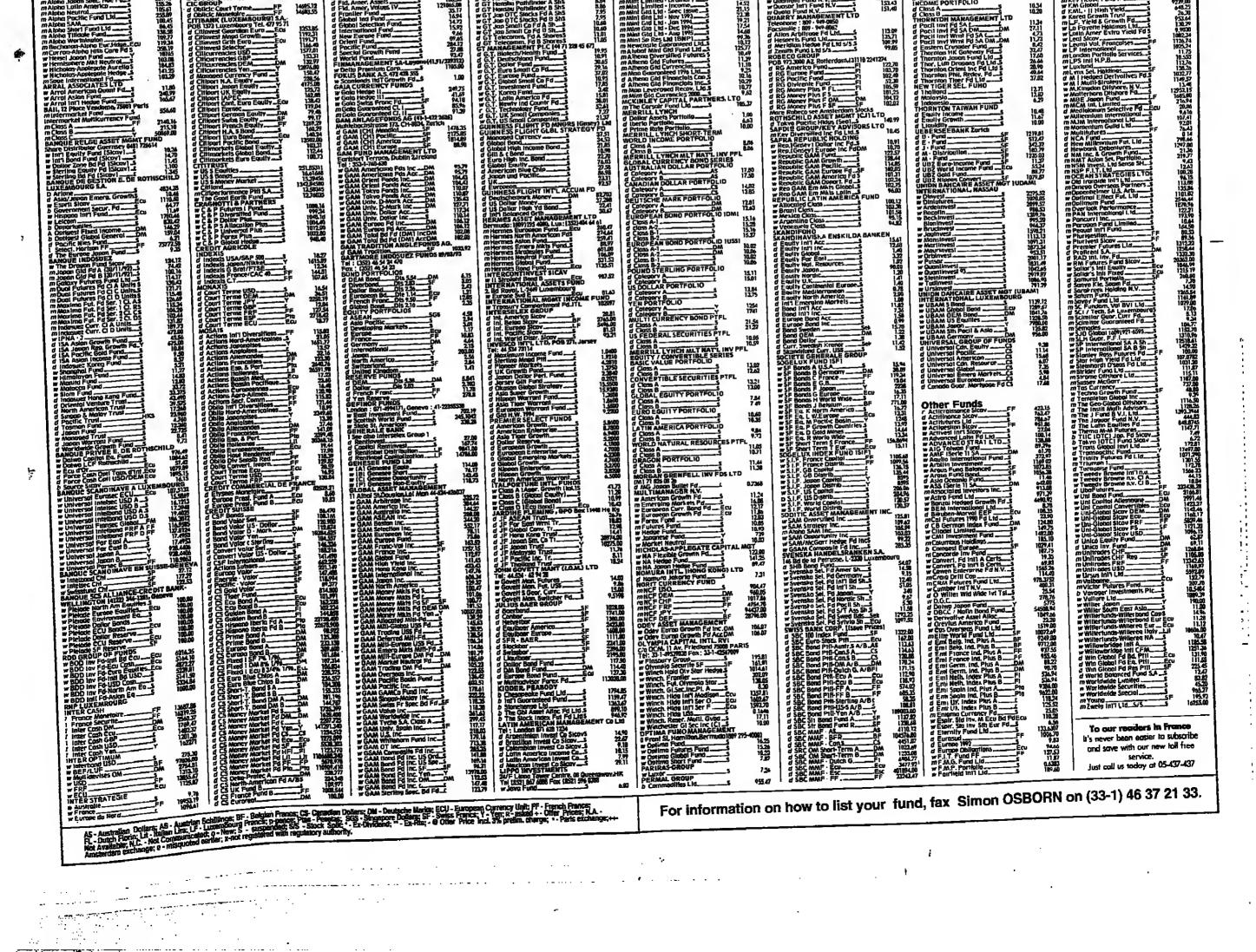
Westpac Banking Corp.'s plan to sell off most of its Asian operations and to sell about 60 percent of its U.S. assets left the Australian stock market peutral, Westpac shares closed at 3.19 dollars, down one cept. AFP. Bloomberg. UPI, AP, AFX



BP and Japanese Firms Plan China Venture

A spokesman for 1toh added that BP was likely to have 75 percent control of the venture. The Chinese government said last month that it TOKYO - Three Japanese companies and British Petroleum Co. will launch a joint venture in develop a would invite foreign companies to develop the region. The proposed area is said to be the largest untapped oil field in the world, with a potential yield of 1.5 million to 2 million barrels daily. Its recoverable potentially large oil field in western China, a leading Japanese newspaper and a spokesman for one of the companies said Wednesday. The Nihon Keizai Shimbun said Mitsubishi Corp. reserves are estimated by some industry analysis at as and C, Itoh & Co., major Japanese trading houses, and Nippon Oil Co. and BP would start a feasibility study

much as 10 billion to 15 hillion barrels. The initial exploration program is estimated at \$1



Ryan's Finale Starts Less Than Grandly

The Associated Press spring training. Nolan Ryan was the past two seasons, he was put on

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> "He threw 79 pitches against the Robinson, 31, is guaranteed \$1.2 Minnesota Twins, allowing two million in 1993, the final season of runs and four hits in five innings, striking out three and walking two Tuesday as fans in Port Charlotte. Florida, hung on every pitch. But he was the loser in the Texas Rang-ers' 3-0 defeat, allowing an RBI double us Brian Harper in the fourth and a home run to Scott

Leius in the fifth. "ti's also the last time I'll give up a home run in my first spring start." Ryan said. "But I don't think about anything being the last time I do something. I have to concentrate on what I do, day-to-day. I haven't given much thought to this last spring, I'm too preoccupied with getting ready for the season."

. There's not a thought about 1994 - even if Ryan, 46, has a really big year. "No, I won't come back," he

interrupted even before the quesuon was finished. Ryan wants to make sure he goes out at a satisfactory level. After all, Hank Aaron hit .229 in his final year (1976) and Willie Stargell finished at .233 in his final season (1982).

"I hope it works that I don't have out a double. I physical problems and I look back from the field. on my last year in the game and say wished things had been different

if I'd been healthy." Ryan said. It generally was a good day for the old guys, with the notable ex-

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Milan Drops Bid for 2000 Olympics

MILAN (AP) -- Milan is withdrawing its bid to bost the 2000 Olympic Games because the continuing political corruption scandal has compro-mised the image of Italy's financial capital, the city sport's commissioner said Wednesday.

"Our Olympic adventure is over," said Massimo Moretti. Milan's decision to drop the bid will be formally submitted to the International Olympic Committee's executive board, which meets in New Jersey Baston Orlando Miom(Atlanta next week. Still in the race to host the Games in 2000 are Beijing. Philodelph Brasilia, Istanhul, Manchester and Sydney. The IOC will select the host

city at its session in Monte Carlo on Sept. 23. • County commissioners breathed new life into the proposed Olympic stadium in Atlanta on Wednesday, approving a plan for baseball's Atlanta Braves to move into the stadium after the 1996 Games. Chi. Clevelan Charlotte diano

British Open Qualifying in Japan

TOKYO (AP) — Qualifying play for the British Open will be held in Japan in June, the first time preliminaries for the prestigious golf journament have been staged outside Britain, officials said Wednesday. Neal Roach of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club said players among the top 100 on last year's Japan PGA money list and among the top 80 on the Asian Circuit this year can compete in the pretiminaries June 21-22 on

the Tokinodai Country Club course. The top five finishers in the preliminaries, along with the top three on the money list and the Asian circuit's overall champion, will be able to

The Associated Press In the first game of his final Rohinson. Hampered by injuries nodutional release waivers.

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Robinson, 31. is guaranteed \$1.2 a three-year contract worth \$3.3 million. He has pitched just nine games since signing the contract, going 1-5.

Charlie Hough, the 45-year-old knuckleballer, pitched four shutout innings in his first start of the spring for Florida and hit a runscoring single off Mark Portugal as a Marlins' split squad beat a Hous-ton split squad 4-3 at Cocoa. Flori-

Hough's last regular-season al-bat was in 1980 when he was pitching for the Los Angeles Dodgers. Among slightly younger pitch-ers, Orel Hershiser allowed two hits

in four shutout innings as the Dodgers routed the Marlins' other squad 10-0 at Vero Beach, Florida. Hershiser, 34. struck out six. Luis Mercedes became the latest

casualty in the Orioles' injuryplagued spring training camp, spraining an ankle in Baltimore's 7loss to the Philadelphia Phillies. Mercedes, who is battling Chito Martinez for the starting right field slot, twisted his right ankle running out a double. He had to he helped

"They're calling it a minor sprain," said the Orioles' manager Johnny Oates, "We prohably won't know until tomorrow how much time he's going to miss."

Deion Sanders received the richsince, while reliever Mike Flanagan est one-year contract for a player not yet eligible for arbitration when has a sore left shoulder. the Atlanta Braves renewed him Pitcher Jeff Williams will miss

last week at \$1 million. three weeks after his thumh was Sanders' deal also set a record broken Monday when he was hit on

Rookie Jeffrey Hammonds pulled a hamstring in the exhibi-tion opener and hasn't played Deion Sanders received the richto agreement with the Braves. The deal covers the first four new months of the season, but doesn't

guarantee that Sanders, also a de-fensive back for the Atlanta Fal-

newed by the Braves last March at \$600,000, and in July agreed to Shawn Kemp scored 19 points for Seattle, which has dropped two miss the start of NFL season and straight after a 10-game winning play the final 65 days of the base-ball season at \$5,128 per day.

Jordan Leads Bulls To a Hobbling Win liams scored 30 points for Sacra-It was as simple as 1-2-3 in the National Basketball Association. which lost its fourth straight game and for the 16th time in 18 outings. One is the number of healthy feet

Tuesday night.

tory over Seattle.

Wilkins sank 8 of 12 3-point

his teammates hold the SuperSon-

ics to 14 points in the final period.

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streak, the second-longest in tran-

"Michael is the greatest player on the floor," the Sonics' Eddie Johnson said. "It's nice just to play

against him to get your picture in

Rockets 104, Heat 94: Houston

of Milwaukee 63-52 at halftime, and

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Spars 119. Mavericks 84: David Michael Jordan played on. Two is the number of games the Houston Rockets need to win to match their Robinson scored 19 points and Sean Elliou 16 in his return from a back injury as San Antonio extend-ing Dallas' road losing streak to a franchise record of 13 straight victories. Three is the number of points Dominique Wilkins scored. nearly every time he shot the ball ing Dallas' road losing sureak to a franchise-record 27 games. The 35-point margin of victory was San Antonio's largest this season. The Mavericks also matched a club record with their 15th conse. Jordan, despite limping notice-ably on the infected left foot that

caused him to miss two games, scored 11 of his 38 points in the final 5:08 of Chicago's 86-83 vic-NBA HIGHLIGHTS

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utive loss, getting just four points from first-round draft pick." Jim Jackson in his third pro game. Hakeem Olajuwon scored 18 of his 34 points in the final period in the decision over Miami that gave Hornets 124, Bullets 104: Charlotte won a franchise-record 32d game behind Larry Johnson's 23 the Rockets 11 consecutive vic-

points and 13 rebounds. The Hornets, 31-51 last season, shots, scoring 37 points and falling one shy of the NBA record for 3won for the ninth time in 14 out-ings, improving their record to 32-26, the first time they have ever been six games over 500. The inju-ry-plagued Bullets lost their eighth concerning work same and for them pointers in a game, as Atlanta de-feated Milwaukee. Jordan rallied the Bulls from an 11-point deficit, accounting for 11 of their last 13 points and helping consecutive road game and for the

"I was in some pain but it was not excruciating," Jordan said. "And once I concentrated on the **Rider Gains** NCAA With Wright St.

The Associated Press

The championship game of the Northeast Conference tournament came down to a one-on-one shoot-

Darrick Suber of Rider versus Scottie Pippen scored 14 points for the Bulls, who have defeated Bohby Hopson of Wagner. Suber got the last shot and it put Rider Seattle six straight times and nine into the NCAA basketball tourna-

ment. Suber, having driven the length also snapped Miami's franchise-reof the court, hit a 12-foot-jumper in the lane at the buzzer as Rider (19-10) won, 65-64, in Lawrenceville, cord six-game winning streak as Olajuwon made 8 of 11 shots in the fourth period and finished with 15

New Jersey. "You go through an entire sca-son and I can think back to our Hawks 117, Bocks 103: Wilkins became the eighth player in NBA history to make eight or more 3guys running the hills in October," said Rider's coach, Kevin Bannon. "And then you go through the whole thing and it comes down to the last five minutes and two guys He made four in the first period to help the Hawks build a 36-23 margin, then two more in the sec-ond period as Atlanta stayed ahead.

are putting on a show." Suber and Hopson were spectacular throughout the game, but par-ticularly in the final minutes. Su-ber, the Brones' all-time leading their margin to 97-76. He took two scorer, finished with 33 points, one 3-point shots in the fourth period more than Hopson, whose total in an effort to tie the NBA record was a career high ...

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cons, will stay with the Braves after history. His agent, Eugene Parker, July 31. had been attempting to work out a multiyear deal, but couldn't come baseball last season. He was re-

LA Lokers LA Clippers Golden State Sacromento compete in the Open on the Royal St. George's course July 15-18. Roach said. Previously, only the top three on the money list were invited.

'NFL International Week' Games Set

NEW YORK (1HT) - The Dallas Cowboys will play the Detroit Lions on Aug. 8 in London rather than take on the Buffalo Bills in a 30 (Slewart 11), LA Lakers Super Bowl rematch, the NFL said Wednesday in announcing its final

Super Bow rematch, the NPL said weinesuay in announcing its final tineup of overseas exhibition games. Although the Cowboys had said last month they would play the Bills in London, the NFL said Buffalo would play the Minnesota Vikings on Aug. 7 in Berlin. The change was forced by the Washington Redskins, who withdrew from playing overseas because of last week's change in coaches. On Aug. 1, the Pittsburgh Steelers and the San Francisco 49ers will play the Berline and the New Orleans Senter and the Rhinderbin Easter will play

m Barcelona and the New Orkeans Saints and the Philadelphia Eagles will meet in Tokyo in what is being billed as "NFL International Week."

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moments after Hopson's lean-in chael Adams, but missed both. jumper in the lane gave Wagner a 64-63 lead with five seconds to go. Suns 128, Kings 108: Cedric Ce-ballos scored a career-high 40 points and Phoenix used a 20-4 second-quarter run to win at Sacra-

Wright St. 94, Ill.-Chicago 88: Bill Edwards carried Wright State to its first NCAA tournament benth, scoring 38 points in the Mid-Conti-nent Conference tournament final Ceballos made 14 of 15 shots and 12 of 12 free throws and also 12 rebounds for Phoenix; which has in Dayton, Ohio, Mike Nahar added won its last eight games against the 25 as Wright State (20-9) controlled Kings. He is averaging 24 points and 8.2 rebounds on 72 percent the game with its height advantage. Chris McGuire, a Wright State backup guard, received a mild con-cussion and bruises when he was trampled by fans rushing onto the court to celebrate the victory.

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ODENSE, Denmark - Were this the United States, Richard Moller Nielsen might have hired an agent, dictated his life story to a ghost writer, become commercial spokesman for a half-dozen products, made a lot of new friends he really didn't like, carried a cellular phone at all times, worn dark glasses whenever possible and generally been coaxed into making a complete fraud of himself. He says: "Commercials?"

He is playing with this thought like a match-lok at his lingers. Of course, he does not smoke. When little, unremarkable Denmark won the European soccer championship last June - a victory akin to the Cleveland Indians ever winviolaty and to the crevenue instants ever will-ning a World Series — Moller Nielsen celebrated with one, or perhaps it was two, glasses of champagne. That is as far as he would stray. "No, no," he says, a smile forming around, but not touching, his eyes. "I have done none of that.

His favorite memory of Denmark's first international championship seems to be the walk he took early the morning after, around the pond at the team's hotel in Sweden. He was alone.

The international fans voted him coach of the year. The roar of Danish boos, like the sea going back out, reverted to cheers. But he is still responding to this question of commercials. People can be altered by one event in their lives - he knows this. He does not seem to understand it. He can laugh, he is polite always, but at 55 he keeps his white hair short and his body trim, and his hard gray eyes are fixed like the heads of buried spikes. "I had one man write and say that he would

His critics wanted someone wise to the outside world, and what they got was a coach who understands his country.

be willing to put in my kitchen," Moller Nielsen says. "That was very nice. He said he had heard about me and my kitchen and he wanted to do it for me for free. That made me feel very good, to receive such a letter. But

Only after several foreign managers had snubbed the job did Denmark hire him as coach in 1990. A vice president of the Danish federation resigned immediately. The league clubs, who knew Moller Nielsen well, gave up their scats on the federation board.

Imbedded in their complaints was the selfdoubt that a Dane could outwit the Dutch or the Germans. Richard Moller Nielsen? He was not dynamic. He was a career coach from the Danish league. Worst of all, the hiring had a sense of permanence, for in their vulnerability the federation leaders had granted Moller Nicl-sen a four-year contract — an absolutely necessary error in judgment, as it turned out. Had he received only two years, as should have been the case, then Denmark would have been free to

disguised it naturally. The world, unaware of his stigma at home, had no choice but to behold him as refreshing and wise.

Moments after his victory in the semifinal, Moller Nielsen told an interviewer he was glad not to be returning to Denmark because he was supposed to be installing a new kitchen in his home. While other coaches appeared paralyzed by the event, the Dane was ordering his players to spend their day at the beach.

In fact, he hid grave worries. Midfielder Kim Villort had left the team, returning to Copenhagen to comfort his 7-year-old daughter in the throes of her leukemia. When Villort asked to return for the semifinal against The Netherlands, the coach said he had only to arrive one hour before the match and he would start. Noir before the match and he would start. Vilfort converted one of the penalties in Den-mark's shootout victory that night. He then returned from Copenhagen once more to score the tournament's last goal against Germany, assuring Denmark of its 2-0 final victory against the world champion.

"It was a very sad thing," Moller Nielsen says. "You know that, in July, his daughter died. I think everyone involved — himself, his wife — thinks he did the right thing by playing."

Not two months later, the Danish heroes reassembled to begin the qualifying round of the World Cup. They opened in August with a scoreless draw in Latvia. This was excused to the hangover of Sweden. In September they went to Lithuania: Another scoreless draw. In October they came home, where the opponent was Ireland, and neither team scored.

"You can say that it was a wonderful victory for our team," Moller Nielsen says of the triumph in Europe, which was Denmark's first international title. "But a coach is judged by his most recent performance. You can say that it changes many things, yes. Other things it does not change."

Desperate for just a goal, the Danes in November beat Northern Ireland, I-0, to stay alive. A recent 1-1 dra the virtuosity of Lan hopes. Nonetheless, with Lithuania in the which only two team Spain, Ireland, and eliminated Denmark pionship in 1984 and years later. On Marc mark must beat the

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J-League Opener Drawing a Crowd: 900,000

TOKYO - About 900,000 fans want to see the kickoff of the country's new professional soccer league, a piece of Japanese sporting history, a league spokesman said Wednesday.

More than 300,000 people have applied to watch the gala opening match on May 15 in Tokyo's 60,000-capacity National Stadium. The match, between Yomiuri Verdy's and Nissan FC Yokohama Marinos, will be carried live on television

The average applicant is seeking three tickets, the pokesman said. Tickets will be allocated by lottery. The Japan League advertized in national newspapers

inviting applications for tickets and received 306,269 replies, far more than anticipated, the spokesman said, Ticket prices range from 10,000 yen (\$84) to a 1,000-yen (58) concession for children.

Ten clubs will open the J-League and most have bought foreign stars to raise standards and boost crowd appeal. The crowd-pleasers include England's Gary Lineker. Germany's Pierre Littbarski and Zico and Edu from Brazil.

Creation of the J-League is one step in a carefully plotted path to build up Japanese soccer awareness that. sports authorities hope, will end with the country hosting the 2002 World Cup.

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delach. Gundelach had entered the match only seconds earlier when starting goalie Oliver Reck was expelled in the 30th minute after arguing a referee's call that he had handled the ball outside the 18yard line.

Despite playing a man short, Werder Bremen's Marco Bode tied the match as 1-1 in the 42d minute when he scored on a penalty after Barcelona goalie Andoni Zubizar-reta was whistled for an infraction.

Barcelona ruled the second half and jumped ahead 2-1 in the 48th minute when Goikoextea scored from eight meters after Bremen keeper Gundelach managed 10 stopped but failed to control a hard, sharp-angle shot from Stoichkey.

The two teams played a 1-1 draw in their first-leg match on Feb. 10 in Germany.

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replace its coach quickly, with the result that it probably would not have won anything. In the first crucial match of Moller Nielsen's tenure, the Danes were beaten at home by Yugoslavia, 2-0, leaving them scant hope of qualifying for the European championship. Players now sniped openly at their coach. The biography of goalkceper Peter Schmeichel open-ly criticized him. The starring Laudrup brothers, Michael and Brian, quit the national team be-cause of him. Though Brian Landrup returned to see Denmark to second place in its qualifying group, the improvement seemed irrelevant.

It was only 11 days before the European championship that Yugoslavia was expelled by UEFA, the European soccer association. On such short notice, Moller Nielsen wasn't able to gather all 20 players until three days before the first match. The Danes were expected to leave Sweden without a point.

"I could have made an alibi for the team, and I could have said we had no chance to win any games, but I did not." says Moller Nielsen, and it's the only credit he will take. "I succeeded in getting the players just to think of the first match against England, I knew I should bring them into the tournament with better condi-tioning - but also, I shouldn't break them down. In that case I was helped having been a coach for so many years. The feeling was at my fingertips -- how much should I press?"

With only an opening draw against England to their credit, the Danes were scaffling through their final preliminary match against group favorite France, Midway through the second half, Moller Nielsen withdrew the exhausted Laudrup, replacing him with the little known Lars Elstrup. Eleven minutes later. Elstrup scored the goal that got Denmark out of last

place and into the semifinal. It has since been reported that the Danish players succeeded that week in persuading Moller Nielsen to revoke his caution in favor of more offense. If his attitude was acquired, he

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Caution: Virginia Ahead

monwealth of Virginia is that you can smoke and accidentally shoot yourself at the same time. If one thing doesn't kill you the other one will

The state's General Assembly made hash nut of a bill restricting smoking in public buildings, tę, stores and shopping centers. The lobby interests in the state

defeated it because a large share of Virgin-ia's income comes from to- Buchwald hacco.

In the meantime, it passed a bill limiting gun purchases to one a month. This is what is known in Virginia as an unhnly alliance. John Bondurant, who helped deep-six the inbacco bill, told me

why he fought it. "Banning cigarettes was only the beginning," he said. "The anti-to-

Film Ticket Sales Decline in U.S.

The Associated Press OS ANGELES - The 1992 L movie season was the third highest-prossing in history but ticket sales declined for the third straight year, the Motion Picture Association of America reported. Yearend receipts totaled \$4.87 hillion, trailing only 1989 and 1990. the association's president, Jack Valenti, said in a Las Vegas address 10 theater owners. Ticket sales fell almost 2 percent from a year ago, to 964.2 million. In 1989, the best year at the box office, 1.132 billion tickets were sold for a total gross of

\$5.03 billion. In 1990, 1.056 hillion lickets were sold for a total gross of \$5.02 hillion. Valenti urged the owners to make moviegoing comfortable, af-fordable and safe, noting that the

MILA 1992 figures were boosted by the mised th

WASHINGTON - The latest bacco forces really wanted to make people wait seven days before they could light up a cigarette." "What's wrong with that?" I

asked. "You can't penalize law-abiding smokers for a few routen apples who use cigarettes for filthy health practices," Bondurant explained. "The anti-cigarette lobbies are hellbent on stopping smoking in hospital nurseries and intensive care wards. The people of Virginia have a right in smoke where they want, when they want and how they want. Thomas Jefferson was a chain smoker."

"He was?" "Yup, he used up five cartons of Virginia Slims before he Enished the Declaration of Independence."

"Bondurant, there's a delegate from Fairfax who has suggested that you can't buy a pack of cigarettes without first buying an AK-47. How does that strike you?"

"It makes sense. People need both guns and tobacco. The prosmokers are willing to compromise. They have agreed to permit a customer to buy a pack of Camels while the sales clerk does an FBI computer check on that person. This eliminates the criminal smoker without punishing those who

pull for sporting reasons." Bondurant said that the defeat of the anti-tobacco measure will send a message throughout the United States that smokers have the same rights as nonsmokers. The fact that smokers blow smoke in the faces of nonsmokers doesn't mean that smokers are bad people."

"The original bill wanted to ban smoking in grocery stores and rest-rooms. Would this be a threat to someone's macho image?" I asked. "You can take the Mariboro Man out of Virginia but you can't take Virginia out of the Marlboro

"Do you think your state is getting so much bad publicity because you are the gun capital of the world?"

"We do have more smoking guns than any other place on Earth," Bondurant bragged. What advice do you have for people who are afraid to die either

from guns or smoking?" "Don't drive through Virginia."

New York Times Service B Bedders Fish and Chips shop opened one recent morning, there was already a line outside, mothers with children and men in suits, secretaries on early lunch breaks and taxi drivers between fares, all awaiting that delicious moment when Pat Bedder would unlock the front door at last and release the

By William E. Schmidt

steamy, intoxicating bouquet of fried cod and chips into the brittle air. It is, in many ways, the most distinctively English of cooking aromas, redolent of raggedy seaside resorts with shingle beaches and working-class-apartment terraces in factory towns.

"It's the English person's diet, no matter where you go." Henry Hanson, a retired government clerk, said as his wife. Dorothy, tucked into a crowded plate uf fish, chips, and mushy peas. Dorothy nodded. "It's a lovely meal," she said.

Fish and chips endures as England's original hot fast food, a quintes as England's origi-nal hot fast food, a quintessential institution. More than 9,000 outlets, mostly narrow mom-and-pop storefronts in husy urban ar-eas, still dispense the vinegary fare, wrapped hot and salty inside folds of newspaper.

"I like to think we are guardians of a national tradition," said John Bedder, 56, who is Pat's husband. For 47 years, his family has run the shop in a working-class district three miles from central Birmingham.

His father, Bill, now 82, bought the shop just after World War II, not long after the previous owner was imprisoned as a German spy; John's son, Martyn, 26, works at his father's side and intends to take over the business. But while the industry's estimated sales of \$843 million in 1991 eclipsed nationwide sales of hurgers and pizza, the graybeards at the National Federation of Fish Friers acknowledge that nostalgia was not enough in an increasingly competitive cod-eat-cod world. While sales have grown, the market share

for fish and chips among takeout foods has declined to 20 percent, from 25 percent in 1986. The number of fish-and-chips shops in England has also declined from the postwar high of 30,000; in Birmingham, there are now only 500 "chippies," half the total of the 1950s. "We've got a lot going for us, but we must do a hetter jub of marketing," said Arthur Parrington, the trade association's president. Only last April, for example, Britain got its first chip shop with a drive-through service window, the sort of thing common at other

fast-food outlets. More recently, the federation opened a fish-frier's training academy, in Leeds, to teach the subtleties of bookkeeping, advertising and health regulations to prospective shop owners. The course is described in a glossy brochure that depicts a smiling, white-



coated cook beneath the bold challenge: "So You Want To Be a Fish-Frier?"

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Fish and Chips: Cod-Eat-Cod World

A higger challenge is the growing health consciousness of consumers concerned that deep-fried fish and potatoes, served dripping in salt and vinegar, might contribute unnect sary fat and cholesterol to their diets.

Mike Pili, the federation's Birmingham representative, said he urges friers to switch to vegetable oil high in polyunsaturated fats, substitute margarine for butter, and stop recooking unsold fried potatoes. At Bedders, they began using vegetable oil long ago, though John Bedder, like a lot of friers, regards the health concerns as mostly "fashionable hype."

"Take my son Martyn," he said. "He's been eating fish and chips his whole life, and he just had a cholesterol test, and his level is below the national average. What better proof could there be than a frier's son?"

But the higgest thing fish and chips has going for it is its immovable place in the English psyche.

Last year, a sociologist at Lancaster Uni-versity, in a northern county that, like Yorkshire, claims the most fish friers per capita in the world, suggested that fish and chips deserves an important place in British history. He cited not only its economic effect (even

eaten in Britain), but also its social resonance. In a 167-page book, "Fish and Chips and the British Working Class," a sociologist, John K. Walton, argued that the industry provided

an entry-level business for tens of thousands of immigrants, that it might have helped stave off starvation and even rebellion during the Depression, and that it contributed to Britain's victories in two world wars by providing a nourishing diet staple during rationing.

There is a certain snobbishness about fish and chips as a working-class joke that inhibits its sundy," complained Walton, who spared no footnotes in his own pursuit of the subject. His work includes 21 pages of published references and provides, as The Times of London noted, "scholarly accounts of such episodes as the Yorkshire Dripping War and the Harilepool Vinegar Incident."

John Bedder says he intends to run the business just as his father did,

"The other day, I sold a woman four small chips, one regular, and one with onions, one with vinegar and one with no salt, plus a small bit of cod, and I think I took £1.20 (about \$1.70) off her," he said. "And I thought, bli-mey! Why should I worry about McDonald's taking me customers. They'd never do that,"

PEOPLE

An Unhappy Customer

Michael Jackson twisted his an-

kie and had to use crutches and a

wheelchair on stage at the Soul Train music awards show. The star

hurt himself while rehearsing for the TV special. During the show,

comedian Eddie Marphy presented

Jackson with a bumanitarian

award and asked him why he was

on crutches. "I was dancing and I went into a spin and I twisted my ankle very badly." Jackson said, "But I wanted to come here to

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Everything you ever wanted to know about Spiro T. Ague — maybe. The former vice president,

who resigned in October 1973 after

pleading no contest to charges that he evaded taxes and took kick-

backs, has donated his papers --- 56

hores of them - to the University

of Maryland in College Park. The Associated Press didn't tell us

whether he got a tax deduction for

CI.

Costner, Whoopi Goldberg and Garth Brooks were all double win-

ners at the People's Choice

both honored as the year's best

movie comedies. Winners were de-termined by a Gallup Poll of more

than 5,000 people. Brooks was vot-ed best male country music and

best male musical performer.

Costner was named best movie ac-

tor and best dramatic movie actor.

Goldberg won honors as best mov-

ie actress and best comedy movie

been named song of the year in the

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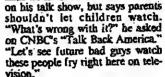
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Another skirmish in the (Several) ginia, later this month on a scientif-Hundred Years War: An English- ic research mission. But Bert Allee man short on cash crashed his huru- of the University of Tennessee ry car through the front door of a Space Institute said the launch was hotel in Lille, France, in a dispute put off until May because circuit over the bill, according to a local boards in the rocket need work newspaper. Rupert Hodson, de-

scribed as the director of an art school in Florence, ran up a \$400 bill at the Carlton Hotel while awaiting a morning ferry to Britain, the Voix du Nord reported. Unable to pay on the spot, Hodson left the keys to his Bentley as a deposit and took a taxi to the local branch of the National Westminster Bank 10 make a withdrawal. Bank staff told Hodson he would have to wait, however, until they could make sure there were sufficient funds in his account, difficult to verify from another country. Hodson's taxi driver, realizing he wouldn't be paid, drove him directly to the Lille police department and threatened to press charges. An angry Hodson was then apparently returned to the Carlton, where he said he wanted to huy the hotel so he could fire the manager, the newspaper reported. But that's not all: Hodson then rammed his car through the front door of its main restaurant, causing about \$7,500 in damages. He was detained at a hospital, the newspa-

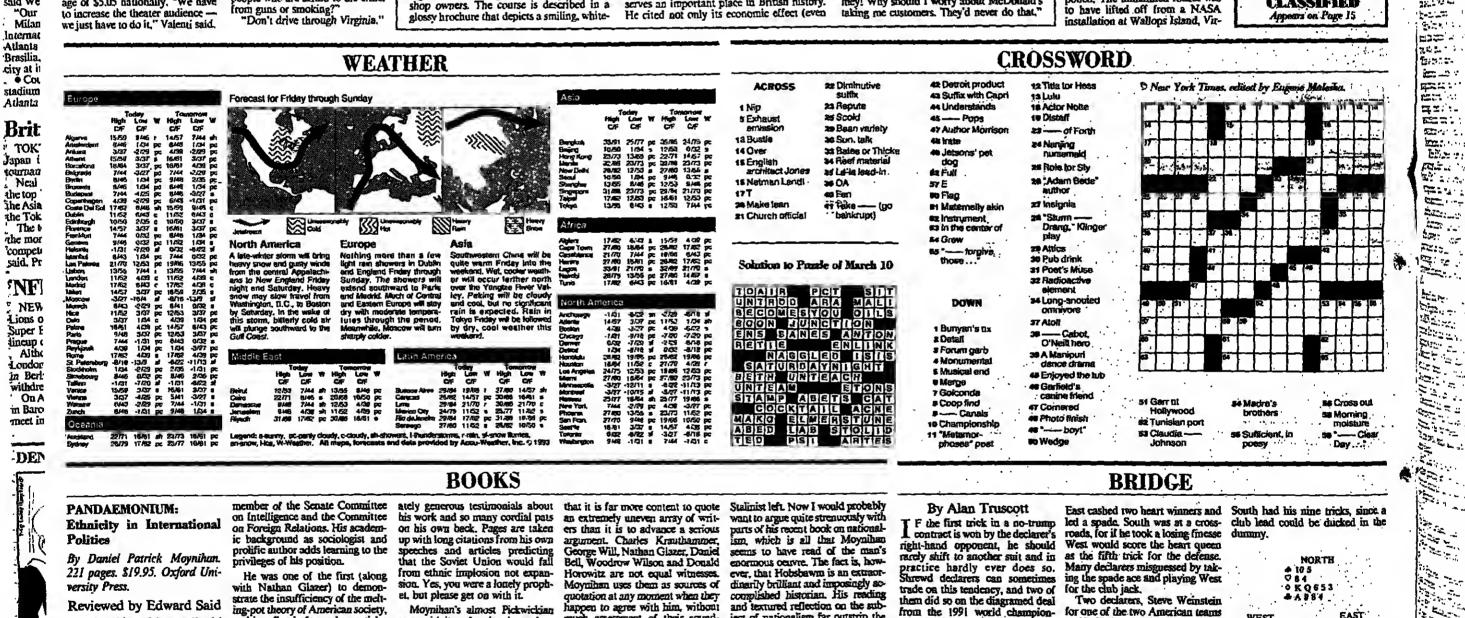
per concluded, until his family in London came to collect him a lew days later. They paid the bill.

Bad taste department: Phil Donahue would broadcast an execution



Marion Barry and his estranged wife, Effi, are calling it quits -officially this time. The District of Columbia councilman and former mayor filed for divorce and is seeking custody of the couple's 12-yearold son, Christopher, according to Gill and John Barlow Jarvis has court papers.

writers Award competition. The launch of a rocket bearing Arnold Schwarzenegger's name and the title of his next movie, INTERNATIONAL "Last Action Hero," has been postponed. The unmanned rocket was CLASSIFIED



today, the trade accounts for a quarter of all white fish and 10 percent of the potatoes

HE subject of Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan's new book is of unquestionable importance. Originally delivered as the 1991 Cyril Foster Lecture at Oxford University, "Pandaemonium" has been expanded to take account of Yugoslavia's further disintegran, the festering aftermath of the Gulf War, and the general disarray of the international landscape after the end of the Cold War. A former 11 S. amhassador to India and the United Nations, Moynihan is a

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and in a flood of speeches, articles and senatorial interventions he has reminded his compatriots that both the ravages and the realities of eth-nic identity have tended to override the makeshift arrangements of the national state Although in some ways it is a tonic read and has occasional insights. Movnihan's book is a disap-

pointing performance. For one, it is mind-bogglingly vain. There is no good reason in a book this small for him to give so many disproportion-

tone, with its unfazed and garrulous archness, clashes in an unseemly with the tragic nature of its subject. That countries can destroy themselves over ethnic haireds, that relative calm and prosperity are lost as people massacre and rape each other in the name of ethnos or religion: These are topics for tragic in-

sight and Vinglian description. But "Pandaemonium" rattles along enu-merating cases unfeelingly like so many Malthusian statistics. Another problem with the book is

much assessment of their soundness, relevance or profundity.

But what is most depressing is the book's intellectual flaccidity, something even more objectionable than Moynihan's reliance on deeply reactionary authors, whom he cites with-out even a hint that their views are far from canonical, and in fact ex tremely debatable. A sign of what I mean is to be found in Moynihan's

use of Eric Hobsbawm as a figure of

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ject of nationalism far outstrip the restricted version of history dished up in "Pandaemonium."

These are issues requiring the skills of a historian, philosopher, educator and politician, all of which Moynihan clearly has. The pity is that he hasn't used them, hasn't really extended himself.

Edward Said, the author of "Oriuse of Eric Hobsbawm as a figure of entalism" and the forthcoming "Cul-the most dismissable lun, a sort of ture and Imperialism," wrate this for The Washington Post

ships in Yokohama, Japan. and Pablo Lambardi for Argentina. It was normal for South to play decided to hold up the heart ace and rely on East to preserve with three no-trump, and most West players led a heart. The declarers hearts rather than shift to spades: counted eight top tricks, noting that South took the heart ace on the they would have to exercise a little third trick, and was now safe despite irrespective of the chuh situacare in diamonds: The deuce would have to be saved until the fourth round to solve the problem of the He cashed three diamond win-

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